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FROM

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SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF REVENUE, BIHAR,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR,
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Dated Patna, the 19th August 1939.

SIR,

I AM directed to submit the following report on the Land Revenue Administration of the province for the year 1938-39.

PART I.—COLLECTION OF LAND REVENUE.

Statistics of estates on tauzi roll and their demands, collections, remissions and balances.

APPENDIX I.

2. There were 116,697 estates with a current demand of Rs. 1,23,98,218 as against 116,379 estates with a demand of Rs. 1,25,63,403 in the preceding year. The number of permanently-settled estates increased by 321 to 115,573 owing mainly to partition and that of estates under direct management by 1 to 319, while the number of temporarily-settled estates decreased by 4 to 785. The decrease of Rs. 1,65,185 in the current demand, which mainly occurred (*i*) in Monghyr (Rs. 11,168), (*ii*) the Santal Parganas (Rs. 1,06,967) and (*iii*) Hazaribagh (Rs. 50,299), was due to (*i*) revision of assessment on settlement and re-settlement of temporarily-settled estates and estates under direct management, (*ii*) reduction of 25 per cent in the demand of estates in direct management in the Santal Parganas and heavy fall in the receipts from the Hiranpur and Sahibganj cattle markets in that district and (*iii*) removal of the demand for the Karharbari colliery of the East Indian Railway in Hazaribagh, which ceased to be payable to the Provincial Government under the new constitution. Including arrears, the total demand amounted to Rs. 1,39,29,119, of which Rs. 1,20,53,294 or 86·53 per cent was collected and Rs. 4,04,446 remitted: a sum of Rs. 13,967 was collected too late in the year to be credited in the account. The bulk of the remission was allowed in Shahabad (Rs. 40,216) and the Santal Parganas (Rs. 3,08,759) in the estates held direct by Government and in Hazaribagh, where the nominal arrear demand of the Karharbari colliery of the East Indian Railway was written off. In Shahabad the amount represents the irrecoverable rents written off as remission of grace; in the Santal Parganas remissions were allowed under the orders of Government of all arrear rents due up to the year 1936-37 and all arrear rents due for the year 1937-38 from all the tenants except *basauri* and *bazar* tenants. The total outstanding balances at the close of the year fell from Rs. 15,21,074 to Rs. 14,71,379, of which the collection of Rs. 30,302 is doubtful and the remainder is in process of recovery.

Permanently-settled estates.

APPENDIX IA.

3. The total demand of the permanently-settled estates amounted to Rs. 1,06,70,168, of which Rs. 1,04,07,000 or 97·53 per cent was collected and Rs. 652 remitted leaving a balance of Rs. 2,62,516. The percentage of current collection on current demand exceeded the standard of 99 per cent in all districts except Patna (98), Saran (98) and Purnea (86) against 95 in the previous year. The heavy fall in Purnea is ascribed to non-payment of demands of estates attached under section 99 of the Cess Act and by some of the wards

estates. The arrear demand (Rs. 62,626) was, however, collected in full and of the current balance (Rs. 1,66,627), a sum of Rs. 75,697 was collected after the close of the year.

Of the total outstanding arrears of the previous years amounting to Rs. 1,17,238, a sum of Rs. 1,08,923 was collected and Rs. 652 remitted leaving a balance of Rs. 7,663.

Temporarily-settled estates.

APPENDIX IB.

4. Of the total demand of Rs. 4,81,937 for the temporarily-settled estates, Rs. 3,41,464 or 70·85 per cent was collected. The total balance amounted to Rs. 1,02,531 after remission of a nominal arrear demand of Rs. 37,942 due for the Karharbari colliery of the East Indian Railway in Hazaribagh, which was not payable to the Provincial Government under the new constitution. The entire balance is reported to be in process of recovery. The major portion of it was due in Monghyr (Rs. 34,772), Gaya (Rs. 18,455), Shahabad (Rs. 16,483), Saran (Rs. 15,651) and Muzaffarpur (Rs. 8,078.) The prescribed standard of current collection was reached only in Bhagalpur and nearly so in Shahabad. The short collections were generally due to the inability of the lease-holders to pay up their dues, collection of rent from their tenants being seriously affected by failure of crops due to repeated floods, irregular monsoon and agrarian agitation.

The balance of total outstanding arrears of previous years amounted to Rs. 37,217 against Rs. 19,419 in the preceding year. The amount is in course of realisation by certificate procedure. Monghyr (Rs. 20,720), Gaya (Rs. 9,705) and Saran (Rs. 3,569) were mainly responsible for the heavy balance. In Monghyr nearly the entire balance relates to Tarapur Diara.

Estates held direct by Government.

APPENDIX IC.

5. The total demand for the estates under direct management amounted to Rs. 27,77,014, of which Rs. 13,04,830 or 46·99 per cent was collected and Rs. 3,65,852 remitted: a sum of Rs. 13,967 was collected too late in the year to be credited in the accounts. The total balance fell from Rs. 12,75,334 in the preceding year to Rs. 11,06,332, of which collection of Rs. 30,302 is reported to be doubtful and the remainder is in process of recovery. The bulk of the remissions was granted in the Santal Parganas (Rs. 3,08,759), where arrears had accumulated owing to the failure of tenants to pay because of continued economic depression, and Shahabad (Rs. 39,564). The percentages of current collection on current demand fell short of the prescribed standards in all the districts as shown on the margin. There was a slight improvement on the provincial percentage from 46·02 in the preceding year to 48·57. The outstanding balances of the previous years fell from Rs. 4,12,440 to Rs. 3,40,950.

	Standard percentages.	Actuals.
Patna	85	28·76
Gaya	90	23·43
Shahabad	80	67·46
Saran	85	33·44
Champaran	80	65·87
Muzaffarpur	75	40·59
Darbhanga	90	68·74
Monghyr	75	25·29
Bhagalpur	80	6·79
Purnea	90	28·95
Santal Parganas	96	89·98
Hazaribagh	97	83·78
Ranchi	90	41·14
Palamau	90	Nil.
Singhbhum	99	34·25

The fall in the collection is generally attributed to continued general economic depression and low level of prices of agricultural produce, loss of crops owing to repeated floods and irregular monsoon, agrarian agitation and the growing tendency of tenants to withhold payment of rent in expectation of reduction and remission as the result of rent reduction proceedings in progress.

Forest and Miscellaneous Revenue.

APPENDIX II.

6. The total collection on account of miscellaneous revenue, including receipts from forests under the management of Civil Department, fell slightly from Rs. 7,13,369 to Rs. 7,12,371. Details are given in Appendix II. Receipts under the head "Recovery of survey and settlement charges" fell by Rs. 94,630 owing to closure of Survey and Settlement operations in Chota Nagpur. There was an increase (Rs. 1,30,653) under the head "Royalties and other receipts under mining rules:" in Shahabad (Rs. 53,887), the Santal Parganas (Rs. 18,398) and Singhbhum (Rs. 60,501) for which no special reasons have been assigned. Remissions and balances decreased from Rs. 6,666 and Rs. 43,404 to Rs. 6,522 and Rs. 29,812.

Mineral receipts.

APPENDICES IIA and IIB.

7. Particulars of mineral concessions in Government estates are shown in appendices IIA and IIB.

There were 10 prospecting licenses in force during the year, yielding Rs. 2,264 against 5 licenses yielding Rs. 949 in the previous year. Mining leases numbered 224, yielding Rs. 3,82,601 in rents and royalties against 215 and Rs. 2,70,355, respectively, in the previous year. In Shahabad 5 limestone leases were in force and the total demand including arrears was Rs. 1,03,535 of which Rs. 95,035 was realised. In Gaya there was only one mica mining lease and the entire demand of Rs. 1,354 was realised. In the Santal Parganas the number of leases rose from 44 to 48 and the current demand from Rs. 16,052 to Rs. 36,028 of which Rs. 3,092 was not realised. Steps have since been taken for its realisation. In Hazaribagh the number of leases were the same, viz., 86, but the current demand fell slightly from Rs. 70,126 to Rs. 70,076 but in Singhbhum while the number of leases fell from 70 to 69, the current demand rose from Rs. 1,31,212 to Rs. 1,90,620. The increase was due to an increase in the rate of royalty for iron-ore from two annas to three annas a ton owing to rise in the tariff valuation of pig-iron and also to more vigilant administration. A sum of Rs. 1,89,885 was collected in Singhbhum together with Rs. 5,396 realised on account of miscellaneous receipts which are not shown in Appendix IIB. As in previous years, there was no mining concession in Ranchi. In Palamau two applications for the grant of prospecting licenses in respect of Hutar and Horilong coalfields were filed.

Redemption of land revenue.

8. There was no case during the year.

Remittance of land revenue and local cess by means of special money-orders.

APPENDIX III.

9. The number of special postal money orders increased from 132,076 to 133,738 and the amount of land revenue and local cess remitted from Rs. 13,02,738 to Rs. 13,70,891. The increase both in number and amount shows that the system is steadily growing in popularity.

Payment of land revenue and local cess by cheque.

10. Land revenue and local cess were paid by cheque in the districts of Patna, Gaya, Saran, Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga, Bhagalpur, Purnea and Manbhum. The number of payments by cheque and the amount of land revenue and local cess remitted by them rose from 299 to 807 and Rs. 12,46,016 to Rs. 19,28,253, respectively, showing the growing popularity of the system.

Operation of Sale Laws.

APPENDICES IV AND V.

11. Statistics of sales under Act XI of 1859 are given in Appendices IV and V. There was no default or sale in Ranchi, Manbhum and Singhbhum. Defaults in the payment of land revenue and sale in the remaining districts fell from 12,533 and 295 to 12,258 and 266, respectively. The percentage of sales to defaults also fell from 2·51 in 1936-37 and 2·37 in 1937-38 to 2·17 during the year under report. The amount realised by sale was 5·05 times the Government revenue against 9·2 times in the preceding year. Nine estates with a Government revenue of Rs. 558 were purchased on behalf of Government. In consideration of the prevailing economic and agrarian conditions the sale law was administered leniently. Recommendations of the Commissioners for annulment of sales on the ground of hardship were all accepted by the Board.

12. Statistics showing the working of the certificate procedure for the recovery of public demands excluding local cess are given in Appendix VI. The total number of certificates filed rose from 59,267 to 65,456, but the total number of cases disposed of fell from 66,350 to 59,831 during the year. The increase was under the two heads "Arrears of rent due to Government" and "All other certificates", being most marked in Monghyr, Palamau and the Santal Parganas under the former head to save limitation of heavy arrears in those districts, and in Patna, Gaya, Shahabad and Muzaffarpur under the latter. An increase is also noticeable under the head "Court of Wards demands" in Purnea, Ranchi and Palamau. In Patna a number of cases was filed for loans due to Government while in Shahabad and Muzaffarpur the increase was due to arrears of canal water rates and embankment cess, respectively. In Ranchi the increase is attributed to certificates for lac rent. The increase in Gaya has not been explained. The power given to private landlords to realise rents by certificate procedure was withdrawn during the year. In Champaran the number of certificates filed for realisation of rents due to private estates fell from 5,466 to 543 only because the filing of certificates by the Bettiah Wards Estate was postponed under orders of Government. The total number of certificates for disposal including 19,810 pending on the 31st March 1938 was 85,266 of which 59,831 or 70 per cent were disposed of against 77 per cent in 1937-38. The highest percentage (90) was reached in Shahabad and the lowest (38) in Singhbhum. The number of cases pending over six months increased from 4,671 to 7,719. The increase was particularly noticeable in Saran, Monghyr and Palamau. Proceedings had to be stayed in a large number of cases in flood-affected areas and warrants could not be issued in rent cases because of the Bihar Tenancy Amendment Act.

Working of the Public Demands Recovery Act IV of 1914.

Appendix VI.

The table below shows the stages at which demands were satisfied :—

Division.	Demands satisfied.					Demands not satisfied on imprisonment.
	On issue of orders.	On attachment of property.	On sale.	On issue of warrants.	On imprisonment.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Patna ...	15,296	7,815	969	970	2	14
Tirhut ...	4,289	6,066	1,875	625	8	6
Bhagalpur ...	612	3,009	936	222	4	8
Chota Nagpur ...	1,722	2,940	984	130	5	9
Total for 1938-39...	21,919	19,830	4,764	1,947	19	37
Total for 1937-38...	17,602	26,867	7,635	5,821	14	44

Sales were set aside in 1,186 cases against 1,811 of the preceding year. The number of sales was largest in Saran. Every opportunity was given to the certificate-debtors to save their property.

13. Certificate-debtors were imprisoned in 56 cases against 58 in 1937-38. Demands were realised in full in 17 and in part in 2 cases, in 3 cases the persons were in jail when the year closed, in 18 the certificate-debtors suffered full term of imprisonment, in 9 they were released at the request of the requisitioning officer and in 4 for the certificate-holders' failure to deposit diet money. Three filed insolvency petitions and were let off.

Realisation of Government and other demands by imprisonment.

Part II.—Administration of Land Revenue.

14. (*i*) There was no change of importance either in the agency or in the mode of management of Government estates during the year.

Agency and mode of management.

(*ii*) The number of mutations of various kinds registered during the year was 5,096 covering an area of 7744·91 acres representing 2·51 per cent of the total number of tenancies against 2·18 per cent in the preceding year. Mutations were due chiefly to succession (3,500), and sale (1,356). The standard of 8 per cent prescribed in the Board's Revenue Circular no. 11 of April 1903 was reached only in Shahabad, Darbhanga and Champaran. The falling off in Gaya is attributed to the continued general economic depression. No explanation has been furnished for the other districts.

Mutations in Government Estates.

Appendix VII.

(*iii*) As in the last year the rent rolls were not inspected by the subordinate agency in Purnea nor by either the subordinate or the superior agencies in Singhbhum. The District Officers' attention has been drawn to this. The standard percentage of check was not attained by any of the agencies in Monghyr and by the latter in Patna, Muzaffarpur and Purnea. The number of unreported mutations detected by the respective agencies was 1,421 and 382 as detailed in Appendix VIII.

Inspection of rent rolls.

Appendix VIII.

(*iv*) The accounts of Government estates were duly inspected by the officers in charge and in certain cases by the Subdivisional Officers. The Collector of Gaya also checked the accounts of the southern circle in the sadr subdivision of his district. No serious irregularity was detected.

Inspection of accounts.

(*v*) Appendix IX furnishes the necessary details. The total expenditure incurred on management was Rs. 1,82,290 and on improvements Rs. 1,21,226 against Rs. 1,80,672 and Rs. 87,239, respectively, during the preceding year. The cost of management was the highest in Palamau (23·09) and lowest in Champaran (4·32) which has only few Government estates. The question of reduction of the former is engaging attention. Gaya received a special grant of Rs. 8,500 and Shahabad of Rs. 12,725 for the repair, during the year, of *ahars* and other sources of irrigation. The entire grant of Rs. 37,696 for works of improvement in the Santal Parganas was placed at the disposal of the District Committee. Singhbhum received a sum of Rs. 21,500 for works of improvement including a special grant of Rs. 3,500 out of hide licence fees and Rs. 9,200 for improvements in the Porahat estate.

Grants for management of and for agricultural, sanitary and miscellaneous improvements in Government Estates.

Appendix IX.

(*vi*) Grants at one and one and a half per cent on collections were, as usual, made to the Damin-i-Koh Government estate in the Santal Parganas for expenditure on primary education and on the improvement of roads and communications, respectively. The grants were administered by the District Committee which spent a total sum of Rs. 38,893 on primary education and Rs. 16,528 on roads and communications.

Education, roads and communications.

(*vii*) The general condition of raiyats in Government estates was much the same as in the previous year. Low prices of agricultural produce continued to affect them. Floods damaged the *bhadoi* and the *rabi* crops in the Barh and the Dinapur subdivisions in Patna and washed away the crops in the Madhipura subdivision in Bhagalpur. Repeated floods also affected the crops in Monghyr. In Gaya, neither the paddy nor the *rabi* crops were good in the Jehanabad subdivision. The former suffered from insufficient rainfall while the latter was damaged by untimely rain. Heavy rains and hailstorm on the other hand adversely affected the *rabi* crops in most of the

Condition of raiyats in Government estates.

Sadr khasmahal villages. In Shahabad, the failure of *hathiya* rains reduced the outturn of both the *aghani* and *rabi* crops. The tenants were also put to loss due to hailstorms. In Darbhanga and Muzaffarpur, crops failed partially due to excessive rain or want of timely rains. The winter rice crop suffered from unfavourable conditions in all the Chota Nagpur districts and *aghani* crop was greatly damaged in Palamau where *rabi* and spring oil-seed crops could not be sown extensively as the fields were too hard to be ploughed. The condition of raiyats in the Supaul subdivision of Bhagalpur is improving as the Kosi has now left the areas. Government have made liberal reductions and remissions of rents in Government estates. In the Santal Parganas alone over three lakhs of arrear rent were remitted and rent reduced by 25 per cent.

The general health of the tenants was on the whole good. Small-pox broke out in one village in Gaya and there were some deaths from this disease as also from cerebro-spinal meningitis in Nuamundi and a few villages round about it in Kolhan. A few cases of cholera, cattle disease, small-pox and other epidemics occurred in Palamau. Fowl cholera (*Ranikct*) took a heavy toll in Chota Nagpur, but the incidence of the disease among cattle was smaller in Singhbhum.

Sale of Government Estates. — Appendix X.

15. The shares of Government in certain estates in Bhagalpur and in some relinquished railway lands in Champaran, Darbhanga, Bhagalpur and the Santal Parganas were sold as detailed in Appendix X.

Amount of land revenue assigned or alienated. — Appendix XII.

16. There was no case of assignment or alienation of land revenue during the year.

Partition. — Appendix XIII.

17. The total number of partition cases for disposal, the number instituted and disposed of during the year were 619, 134 and 146 against 607, 127 and 122, respectively, in the previous year. The number of cases pending at the close of the year and those pending over nine years fell from 485 and 32 to 473 and 30, respectively, while the number of cases pending for over three and six years rose from 93 and 29 to 125 and 36, respectively. The oldest pending case of Manopur estate in Monghyr mentioned in the previous report is still pending on remand with the Collector at the *raibandi* stage, action being taken for the disposal of *badars* and disputes.

Partition proceedings in some Tirhut districts were also delayed because of misinterpretation of sections 61 and 112(2) of the Estates Partition Act, 1897 and Board's statutory rule 3, on page 88 of the Batwara Manual, 1936. This has been set right now.

A whole-time partition officer was employed during the year in Gaya and half-time officers in Patna, Shahabad, Saran, Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga and Monghyr.

" Estates Partition Accounts " are kept in all the districts of the Patna and Tirhut Divisions except Champaran and in the districts of Monghyr and Bhagalpur. The accounts of these districts except Shahabad and Darbhanga were audited during the year by the Examiner of Local Accounts. In other districts accounts were audited, as usual, by the Treasury Officer.

Separate account of land revenue payments under Act XI of 1859 and Act VII of 1876 and registration of tenures under Act XI of 1859.

18. Appendix XIV gives details. No separate accounts were opened either under Act VII of 1876 or Act XI of 1859 in Ranchi, Manbhum and Singhbhum. One tenure was registered under section 41 of the latter Act in Shahabad and three under section 42 in Purnea.

Land Registration. — Appendix XV.

19. The particulars of intermediate registration under Bengal Act VII of 1876 are given in Appendix XV. The number of interests entered in the land registration registers rose from 803,611 to 807,161. The number of applications pending at the close of the year fell from 7,898 to 7,554 and that pending for more than six months from 126 to 83, the bulk of which was in Bhagalpur (38) and Shahabad (34). No special reasons have been assigned for the delay. No case of fraudulent registration came to light during the year.

Land Acquisition. — Appendix XVI.

20. During the year 278·55 acres of land were acquired for public purposes at a cost of Rs. 2,28,342. The average cost was Rs. 819 an acre against Rs. 571 in 1937-38. Particulars are given in Appendix XVI.

Survey and Settlement. — Appendices XVII and XVIII.

21. A detailed account of the survey and major settlement operations is given in the Annual Report on the survey and major settlement operations for the year ending the 30th September 1938. The work done during the year consisted of fair rent settlement; realisation of survey and settlement costs, noting of decisions of cases in the Collectorate khatians, prepraration of statistics for the Final Reports, etc., of the revision settlement of Subdivision Dhalbhum in the district of Singhbhum. The work of reduction of rents under section 112, Bihar Tenancy Act, in the districts of Patna, Gaya, Shahabad and Monghyr consisted of disposal of petitions, disposal of *suo motu* cases, disposal of objections under section 104E, appeals under section 104G of the Bihar Tenancy Act and confirmation and final publication of rent-rolls.

Appendix XVII gives details of all minor settlement operations. Settlements were made in 5 cases in the district of Patna at a total *jama* of Rs. 8,185 as against Rs. 7,925 in the preceding year while in one case re-settlement was made in the Shahabad district.

In the Tirhut Division 53 minor settlements were taken up and 33 completed during the year against 45 and 15, respectively during the preceding year. There was a net increase of Rs. 2,431 in revenue. In Saran, the survey and settlement of a private estate Panapur was in progress and preparation and final publication of record-of-rights and reproduction of maps were done during the year under report and in Muzaffarpur, the operations in Government estates Chaki Sohagpur, Dumri Kalan Re. 0-4-0 (four annas) and Saidigree were held up pending the decision of the Hon'ble High Court in second appeal preferred by the opposite party. This has since been dismissed and the settlement will be taken up next cold weather.

In Bhagalpur 24 settlements were effected during the year giving a net *jama* of Rs. 9,661. There was a net decrease of Rs. 883 in revenue on account of diluvion and deterioration of soil. The survey and settlement operations under the Bihar Tenancy Act of 5 temporarily-settled Government estates in Monghyr were pending from 1934-35. The operations in two were completed and the record-of-rights finally published. A small Government estate was also taken up during the year under report.

In Daltonganj town khasmahal Government remitted 50 per cent of both arrear and current rents and reduced the rates by half. Most of the tenants have paid up the arrear dues. In Chaibassa town khasmahal test suits are contemplated against some of the tenants who have refused to sign the new lease. Many new holdings have been settled since last year in the Tatanagar khasmahal, where there is still a demand for land and a further area has been opened up for settlement.

Irrigation and Drainage.

22. The drainage scheme in the Kadamkuan Khasmahal area in Patna City has almost been completed except in blocks G and H and part of block D. The Sanola Tarar irrigation scheme in Bhagalpur is also pending with Government. The Bhikadih Danr and Bindi Danr in Bhagalpur, mentioned

in the last report, and the sewerage scheme in Patna City have since been completed. No project of special importance was undertaken in any district of Tirhut except the Majorganj drainage scheme in the Muzaffarpur district, which is nearing completion. There were 326 cases (including 11 cases pending from the previous year) in Patna, and 661 cases (including 78 cases pending from the previous year) in Gaya, under the Private Irrigation Works Act (IV of 1922). Of these, 22 cases in Patna and 96 cases in Gaya were disposed of during the year under review. The Act has been now replaced by the Bihar and Orissa Private Irrigation Works (Bihar Amendment) Act, 1939.

In Shahabad irrigation work is mainly done by the Public Works (Canal) Department. In Monghyr 142 cases (including 5 cases pending from the previous year) were dealt with during the year under review. The Irrigation Officer persuaded the people to repair ahars and danrs, etc., in 40 villages lying in *thanas* Barbigha and Sheikhpura. 11 irrigation schemes have also been sanctioned by the Irrigation Advisory Committee in this district. A special irrigation staff is being maintained now for the maintenance of private irrigation works in the Bhagalpur district where an Irrigation Advisory Committee was formed in the latter half of the year for examining new irrigation schemes. The Irrigation Officer was successful in inducing landlords in South Bhagalpur to complete repairs costing about Rs. 18,000 without having recourse to the Private Irrigation Works Act. Out of the savings of about Rs. 18,000 in the Rural Development fund some new schemes have been approved and the work is in progress in this district. In the Santal Parganas also an Irrigation Advisory Committee has been formed and schemes are being prepared and executed out of the unspent balance of the Rural Development fund. In the Government Estates in this district a total sum of Rs. 901 was spent. No important irrigation or drainage project was undertaken in the Chota Nagpur Division during the year under review.

Embankments.

23. The six principal embankments maintained by Revenue Officers in the province are the Ganges embankment in Darbhanga; the Monghyr, the Gupta and the Gogri embankments in Monghyr; the Chandan embankment in Bhagalpur and the Gandak embankment in the districts of Saran, Champaran and Muzaffarpur. Except the Gupta and the Chandan embankments the rest are maintained under the contract system. The construction of a new retired line to the Gupta embankment was completed last year, but the question of a contract for maintaining it has not yet been taken up. Out of a total demand (current and arrear) of Rs. 1,48,291 on account of the Gandak embankment and Rs. 3,536 for the Ganges embankment Rs. 68,849 and Rs. 2,608 respectively were realised and the balance is being realised, where necessary, under certificates.

The outstanding recoverable balance in Monghyr was Rs. 21,222. But as it was difficult to ascertain definitely for want of complete papers the amount realisable for each of the three embankments separately it was not possible to apportion the dues or to issue necessary certificates against the defaulters during the year under review. Steps are, however, being taken to find a way out of this difficulty. Necessary protective measures against floods were taken in respect of the Gandak embankment, which was thus maintained in good order. The estimate of cost of repairs to and construction of a weir in the Sikao embankment in Muzaffarpur having gone up by 66 per cent. as reported in the last year, fresh proceedings have since been gone through under sections 7-10 of the Bengal Embankment Act, 1882, and the matter is now awaiting the final orders of Government. The proposal for the demolition of embankment along the Tiljuga river, mentioned in the last year's report, is still under the consideration of Government. Meanwhile they have decided in consultation with the Irrigation experts that none of the breaches so far caused in the embankment should be allowed to be repaired and that no more cuts in the Darbhanga side of the bandh should be made until after watching the results of the floods of 1939.

No embankments are maintained in the Patna and the Chota Nagpur Divisions.

Waste lands.

24. Waste lands measuring 1,201·64 acres in all were settled in Government estates during the year. In Gaya 533·41 acres were settled at a rent of Rs. 445-8-4 and in Shahabad settlement of 161·66 acres of waste lands was made in the Sasaram subdivision. In Palamau 498·54 acres of waste lands were reclaimed by tenants and assessed to rent amounting to Rs. 870-10-0. In Singhbhum ·9 acre of land was settled for residential purposes and 1·68 acres for agricultural purposes in the Porahat Estate on an annual rental of Rs. 2-6-3. In the Chaibassa town khasmahal 5·45 acres of land were settled on an annual rental of Rs. 148-12-6. Government have since ordered that in view of the fact that prohibition is being gradually extended to different districts, District Officers should, in settling khasmahal lands with landless labourers, give preference to resident *pasis* who have no lands. An enquiry is in progress to ascertain available culturable waste lands in the Province.

Advances under the Land Improvement Loans Act XIX of 1883.

APPENDIX XIX.

25. Statistics of loans under the Land Improvement Loans Act are given in Appendix XIX. No loans were outstanding at the commencement of the year in Shahabad, Purnea and in the districts of the Tirhut Division, nor was any sum advanced during the year in these districts except in Shahabad. Of Rs. 32,292 advanced during the year, Rs. 27,163 was distributed in the districts of the Chota Nagpur Division and Rs. 5,129 in the districts of the Patna and the Bhagalpur Divisions excepting Patna and Purnea. The principal due for collection was Rs. 38,079 of which Rs. 14,329 was collected leaving an overdue balance of Rs. 23,750. Of the total interest of 7,125 due for collection, Rs. 42 was remitted and Rs. 3,155 collected leaving a balance of Rs. 3,928 overdue. Rs. 632 for principal and Rs. 97 for interest were paid in advance.

Advances under the Agriculturists' Loans Act XII of 1884.

APPENDIX XX.

26. Statistics of loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act are given in Appendix XX. A sum of Rs. 8,68,202 was advanced during the year. It was mostly granted in the districts of the Tirhut (Rs. 5,76,499) and the Bhagalpur (Rs. 2,74,189) Divisions. Including arrears, the amount of principal due for collection was Rs. 16,77,462, of which Rs. 834 was remitted, Rs. 2,94,528 collected and the collection of Rs. 6,60,920 was held in suspense. Of the total amount of interest of Rs. 3,20,240 due for collection, Rs. 4,212 was remitted, Rs. 71,207 collected and the collection of Rs. 1,07,217 was held in suspense. The amounts of principal and interest were suspended in all the districts of the Tirhut Division except Saran. The total balance of principal and interest over-due at the close of the year amounted to Rs. 16,26,921. Agriculturists generally failed to pay up their dues on account of repeated failure of crops caused by floods and irregular monsoon. No form of compulsion was parctically used for the recovery of the dues during the year. In some districts the collection was reported to have been hampered by the wide-spread belief that Government was contemplating remission of the loans. Advance payments of Rs. 35,997 for principal and of Rs. 740 for interest were made by the borrowers. Remission of Rs. 2,332 was made in respect of future payments.

PART III.—RENT.

Suits under rent laws before revenue courts in the Chota Nagpur Division.

APPENDIX XXI.

27. The total number of suits of all classes instituted during the year in Chota Nagpur rose from 34,526 to 47,141 and 20,909 cases remained pending at the close of the year. There was an increase in Hazaribagh, Palamau and Manbhum while the number fell in the other two districts. In Hazaribagh the increase in the number of cases was due to the fact that on its release from the management of the Court of Wards, the Ramgarh Estate lost the power to file certificates for the recovery of arrears of rents under the Public Demands Recovery Act. The increase in Palamau and Manbhum and the decrease in the other two districts have not been explained.

28. Statistics relating to the operation of the penal provisions of the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act are given in the appendix and do not call for any special remarks.

Operation of the penal provisions of the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act.

APPENDIX XXII.

29. The working of some of the important sections is shown in Appendix XXIII. The number of applications for commutation of produce rents into cash rents rose from 835 to 4,568 in Patna, 60 to 13,975 in Tirhut and 117 to 811 in Bhagalpur. The increase in Patna is attributed mainly to the amendment of the Bihar Tenancy Act according to which the landlord can no longer oppose commutation on the ground that the irrigation arrangements are elaborate and costly. Tenants also want to take advantage of the low agricultural prices to have the cash rent fixed at a low rate. The increase in Monghyr and Bhagalpur is reported to be due to the present agrarian troubles. The number of cases filed against landlords for failure to grant rent receipts in the prescribed form fell from 377 to 350. In Muzaffarpur it is a common practice among landlords to grant no receipts for *bhaoli* lands. As mentioned in the last year's report, the practice of withholding receipts or granting irregular receipts has not died out in the Bhagalpur Division. In the Patna Division landlords generally grant receipts for cash rents but are disinclined to grant receipts in case of lands held on *batai*. Tenants now insist on getting receipts for rents of such lands also. In the Santal Parganas, where sections 56 and 58 only of the Bihar Tenancy Act are in force, the number of cases for disposal was 33 of which 27 were disposed of, 2 were dismissed for default, 3 amicably settled, 6 struck off for non-prosecution, 2 struck off as time-barred, in 6 allegations were proved to be false, in 4 the *pradhans* were warned, in one an *amla* of a *zamindar* was fined and in the remaining three cases the allegations against the *zamindars* could not be proved. Cases instituted under sections 69 and 70 of the Act for division of crops in the Pat...

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APPENDIX XXIII.

ERRATUM.

For the word " nine-tenths " in line 34, page 10, *read* " nine-twentieths ".

... notices for resumption of land by landlords under section 87(2) was 931 of which 655 were filed in Bhagalpur alone owing to the abandonment of holdings by tenants in areas affected by Kosi floods in the Supaul subdivision. The provisions of Chapter VIIA worked well in Monghyr and Bhagalpur. In the former there was no case of sale, mortgage, lease or subletting of holdings by the Santals nor was any land sold for arrears of rent. The Collector of Bhagalpur reports that the new legislation has given full satisfaction and relief to the Santals against *mahajans* and landlords.

A statement of proceedings* under the Santal Parganas Regulation II of 1886 and III of 1872 and section 58 of the Bihar Tenancy Act is enclosed.

*Not printed.

30. Village *rakhats* (protected jungles) exist only in the districts of Ranchi, Palamau, Manbhum and the Santal Parganas.

Village *rakhats.*

In Ranchi no new *rakhat* or *panchayat* was formed during the year. As a result of the activities of the four trained foresters, appointed to look after the *rakhats*, the *panches* are reported to have taken greater interest in them. Depredations have been checked to some extent by criminal proceedings, executive warnings, etc. The interest taken by the Subdivisional Officers during tours has also gone a long way towards their preservation. A good deal, however, yet remains to be done to stop denudation. 13 criminal prosecutions were started, of which 8 ended in conviction, 4 in acquittal and 1 remained pending. In Palamau reckless cutting of jungle trees by timber merchants on leases granted by landlords continued. In some villages tenants in a body felled jungle trees on the pretext of domestic use and petty landlords were

helpless to stop such concerted action. In Manbhum *rakhats* belong generally to the landlords who do not care much for their preservation. They allow indiscriminate felling which result in a good deal of deforestation. *Rakhats* in the Santal Parganas are looked after by village officials and proper action is taken to prevent encroachments. The subdivisional officers make enquiries to ensure that the villagers do not encroach upon the reserved plots. Zamindars also take adequate steps for the preservation of their forests. Some cases of surreptitious cuttings of jungles were detected and offenders were punished by fines under section 28 of Regulation III of 1872.

31. The total number of applications under section 46(6) of the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act was 819 against 1,420 in the preceding year, viz., 94 against 228 in Hazaribagh, 193 against 237 in Ranchi, 28 against 43 in Palamau, 276 against 638 in Manbhum and 228 against 274 in Singhbhum. The decrease, which was shared by all the districts, has not been explained. There were 38 applications for restoration of possession under section 46(4) against 23 and 27 in the two preceding years. The number of cases under section 54 for failure to grant proper rent receipts was 144 against 47 and 36 in the two preceding years. The practice of withholding rent receipts for the price of *sajha* paddy is still common in Ranchi, though decreasing. In Palamau the total number of cases for disposal was 69 of which 42 cases were disposed of. Landlords were fined in four cases and tenants in 2. Of the remaining 36 cases, 2 were withdrawn, 7 compromised and 26 struck off for non-prosecution, the parties having come to a compromise out of court. Applications for deposit of rent fell from 1,243 to 932, the decrease being shared by all the districts. Notices of surrender under section 72 rose from 67 to 78 and those for resumption of *raiyati* holdings under section 73(2) from 134 to 226. Applications under section 50 for acquisition of tenants' interests for buildings and other purposes were 22 against nil in the preceding year.

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APPENDIX XXV.

32. The number of money-orders issued rose to 55,344 from 28,035 in 1937-38. The amount remitted rose from Rs. 4,22,721 to 6,04,833. The increase occurred in the districts of Darbhanga, Muzaffarpur and Bhagalpur and was slight in Purnea, Patna and Shahabad. The number was heaviest in Darbhanga, being 23,531 against 1,667 in the previous year. It is reported to be due mainly to the large number of money-orders remitted by tenants in connection with petitions filed by them for reduction of rent under the new Act. The provincial percentage of money-orders refused rose from 17·02 to 26·00, the rise being the greatest in the Tirhut Division (21·13 to 31·13). Refusals were, as usual, due to disputes about the amount of rent payable or non-payment of full demand or payment by persons other than the recorded tenants.

Remittance of rent by money-order.

APPENDIX XXVI.

33. There has been an active general awakening among peasants as a result of the Kisan movement and of the notices issued by Government advising them to pay no *abwab* or illegal gratification. In Patna there were 13 cases of illegal exactions in 8 of which landlords themselves were the accused and their agents in the remaining five. Nine cases were compromised, stopping such exactions. In the four remaining cases charges were not proved. In Gaya there was a remarkable decrease in the demand for *begari* and illegal exactions. In Shahabad 3 petitions were filed under section 75, Bihar Tenancy Act, but they were all compromised. There was a general complaint against the employees of the Dumraon Raj about charging some thing at the time of rent collection and of taking *ghee*, curd, straw, etc., on special occasions. Similar complaints are also made against some smaller estates. There was a case about *beyai* (weighing tax) in Dumraon town but the Raj produced a Civil Court decision in its favour. A direction was, however, issued that no force should be used in collecting it. There was no complaint in Tirhut Division except Muzaffarpur. Complaints of *abwabs* and *begari* against the *amla* of some landlords were brought to notice in the Sitamarhi subdivision but no action was considered necessary after enquiry except in

Zamindari abwabs.

one case. Action is reported to have been taken to stop illegal realizations whenever they have come to notice. In Bhagalpur the custom of paying tips or *tahrir* to the zamindar's staff at the time of collections is on the decline. Subdivisional officers are constantly on the watch for instances of such practice and wherever evidence was sufficient, proceedings under section 75 were started. A tahsildar of the Maldwar Wards Estate was prosecuted and convicted under Section 75 (*a*). In the Santal Parganas landlords, *ghatwals* and *mulraiyats* occasionally exact forced labour but the practice is dying out as a result of the *Kisan* movement.

There were 46 cases of illegal exactions under section 63 of the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act in Hazaribagh and only one in Ranchi. Including four cases brought forward from the previous year, the number of such cases in Palamau was 17 of which 14 were compromised and 3 ended in conviction, but the convictions were set aside on appeal on the ground of illegality of proceedings. There was one case which ended in conviction in Latehar in connection with the extortion of *begari*, but the conviction was set aside on appeal on a point of law. Several cases of *begari* were reported in the sadr subdivision, but the landlords concerned agreed not to exact it in future and tenants were satisfied with that assurance. In Singhbhum 3 cases were instituted in Dhalbhum for excess realisation of rent. These were struck off after the amendment of section 63 of Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act without entering into the merits of the cases. The applicants have been referred to the Criminal Court.

Relations between landlords and tenants.

34. The relations between landlords and tenants were worse than last year on account of the Kisan agitation, wholesale claim over *bakasht* lands and withholding of rent by most tenants. Pending rent reduction operations payment of rent has been practically suspended and landlords find it very difficult to pay Government dues even. In Patna, innumerable petitions or verbal complaints from tenants were received about the unwillingness of the landlords to divide crops and police officers and magistrates had to be deputed in many cases. Tenants now use the weapons of combination and agitation and have become aggressive. Respect for law is waning. There is a feeling of mutual distrust and antagonism between tenants and landlords. The latter are demoralised and their *amla* are slow to change their old ways. In Gaya, the most bitter dispute was at Reora which was finally settled by an award of the District Magistrate after the kisan leader and thirty other kisans had been imprisoned. The large areas of *bakasht* land in the district present a difficult problem which is likely to continue for sometime. In Shahabad, the petty landlords mostly depend on *hari-begari* for cultivation of their bakasht lands, refuse to grant rent receipts for produce rents, bring false rent suits and neglect *ahars*. The land settlement policy of the Dumraon Raj gave rise to serious troubles. At many places in Tirhut there were cases of rioting. In Champaran, there was agitation against the imposition of grazing fees by the Ramnagar Raj on the Tharus and against the withdrawal of certain concessions regarding free supply of forest wood. A detailed enquiry into the matter was made by a Special Officer sent by Government. In the Jamui and south sadr subdivisions of Monghyr relations were particularly unsatisfactory, and very unhappy throughout the district, which was due mainly to *amla* of landlords and kisan leaders. In Bhagalpur also relations were strained though kept under control by constant vigilance. In Purnea, rent reduction operations created a no-rent mentality among the tenants. Relations were on the whole satisfactory in the Santal Parganas except in the Deoghar subdivision where there was general discontent only.

Relations were, on the whole, good in Chota Nagpur except in Palamau and in Chatra and Dhalbhum subdivisions while they are reported to be deteriorating in Ranchi. Relations are said to have been strained on account of rent reduction operations. In the Kunda Estate in Hazaribagh, there was dissatisfaction among tenants owing to certain jungle taxes. *Kamiauti* and *begari* are still prevalent in Chatra subdivision. In Satgawan Estate in the Giridih subdivision, the non-resident proprietor realised rent to the last pie and extensively settled *gairmazrua khas* lands, though generally within the fou-

corners of law, to the dislike of tenants. In Palamau, a large number of collective petitions under section 139(2) of the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act were filed by tenants claiming *bakasht* as well as *gairmazrua* lands, which the landlords opposed. This greatly embittered relations between them. The Dhalbhum Estate in Singhbhum instituted a large number of rent suits and applied for execution of numerous decrees. The Tata Iron and Steel Company also brought a number of rent suits and execution cases against their tenants.

Throughout Bihar proper and parts of Chota Nagpur plateau, the Magistracy and the Police had to take strong, sustained and vigilant measures to maintain peace. Peasants appear to be getting more truculent everywhere.

PART IV.—LOCAL CESS.

Rate of local cess.

35. (*i*) Local cess continued to be levied at the maximum rate of one anna in the rupee throughout the province except in the Damin-i-Koh Government Estate in the Santal Parganas, where the Cess Act is not in force. Additional cess was levied on notified mines in Hazaribagh and on coal mines and coal quarries in Manbhum under Cess (Amendment) Act II of 1936.

Demands, collections, balances and remissions.

APPENDIX XXVIII.

(*ii*) The following table shows the demands, collections and balances for the last three years :—

Year.	Demand.			Collection.	Percentage of total collection on the current demand.	Balance.	Percentage of balance on total demand.	Remission.
	Current.	Arrear.	Total.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
1936-37 ...	73,32,944	20,57,624	93,90,568	71,57,266	97·60	22,39,599	23·35	1,798
1937-38 ...	75,03,416	22,46,266	97,49,682	73,25,924	97·63	24,20,290	24·82	1,778
1938-39 ...	78,05,891	24,15,909	1,02,21,800	74,03,524	94·84	28,04,182	27·43	3,072

Current demand.

The current demand increased by Rs. 3,02,475 from Rs. 75,03,416 to Rs. 78,05,891. The increase mainly occurred in Muzaffarpur (Rs. 25,208) due to the revision of general assessment, in Hazaribagh (Rs. 46,309) and Manbhum (Rs. 2,29,883) as the result of assessment made on collieries under the Bihar Cess (Amendment) Act II of 1936 and in Singhbhum (Rs. 9,842) owing to an increase in despatches of iron ore.

Collections and balances.

The percentage of total collection on current demand exceeded the standard of 100 per cent in three districts only, *viz.*, Shahabad, Hazaribagh and Manbhum. It was below 90 per cent in Muzaffarpur (89·87), Bhagalpur (88·79) and Purnea (74·94). The provincial percentage came to 94·84 against 97·63 in the preceding year. The short collection is generally ascribed to non-payment of cess by landlords on account of insufficient collection of rent owing to continued economic depression, loss of crops due to repeated floods and irregular monsoon, agrarian agitation and the growing tendency of tenants to withhold payment of rent in expectation of reduction as the result of Rent Reduction Operations. The total balance outstanding at the close of the year was Rs. 28,04,182 against Rs. 24,20,290 in the preceding year.

Remissions and reductions.

The remission granted during the year amounted to Rs. 3,072 against Rs. 1,778 in the preceding year. A reduction of Rs. 15,180 was made in the demand mainly on account of revision of assessment on forests, mines, etc.

Working of Certificate Procedure.

APPENDIX XXIX.

(*iii*) Statistics showing the working of the certificate procedure for the recovery of local cess are given in Appendix XXIX. The total number of certificates filed fell from 53,456 in 1937-38 to 51,999 during the year. The decrease mainly occurred in Muzaffarpur (2,105) but no special reason was ascribed for it. The total number of certificates for disposal including 18,108 pending from the previous year was 70,107, of which 52,343 cases were disposed of and 17,764 remained pending at the close of the year against 47,649 and 18,108, respectively, in the preceding year. The number of cases pending over six months decreased by 152 from 2,151 to 1,999.

The total number of objections against certificates filed and disposed of was 7,939 and 7,812, respectively, against 7,574 and 7,381 in the preceding year. Certificates were cancelled in 290 cases owing either to non-liability of the certificate-debtors or the payment of arrears before the issue of certificates. The number of cases in which the certificate demand was modified was 261 against 257 in the preceding year.

Demands were satisfied in 12,578 cases on the issue of preliminary notices, in 8,412 cases on the issue of warrants of attachment and in 94 cases on the issue of warrants of arrest. Notices of sale of defaulters' movable and immovable properties and proclamation of sale of such properties resulted in payments in 17,818, 7,276 and 839 cases, respectively, while recourse to actual sale was necessary in 2,281 cases. In 590 cases sales were set aside under sections 38, 29 and 30 of the Certificate Act.

Valuation and revaluation.

APPENDIX XXXII.

(*iv*) Statistics of revaluation work done during the year are given in Appendix XXXII. The general revaluation proceedings were completed in Muzaffarpur and are still in progress in Purnea. In Saran the revaluation of one estate was done under section 13 of the Cess Act by the district staff.

Separate accounts for revenue-paying and revenue-free estates.

APPENDIX XXX.

(*v*) The number of separate accounts opened during the year was 1,207 for revenue-paying estates and 23 for revenue-free estates and the number of accounts, which remained open at the close of the year was 84,726 and 2,974, respectively, as detailed in Appendix XXX.

Estates, tenures and share-holders and gross rental.

APPENDIX XXXI.

(*vi*) The number of revenue-paying and revenue-free estates increased, respectively, by 1,106 and 6 due to formation of new estates by partition and the opening of separate accounts. The increase of 137 in the number of rent-free lands was due to valuation of such lands in the Santal Parganas, which were not included in any estate or tenure. There was an increase of 2,868 in the number of recorded share-holders of estates. The number of tenures and of their recorded share-holders increased by 196 and 3,562, respectively.

The total valuation of the province stood at Rs. 13,01,46,893 at the end of the year against Rs. 12,52,13,775 in the preceding year. There was a net increase of Rs. 49,33,118 in the gross cess-bearing rental of the province. The increase occurred mainly in Muzaffarpur (Rs. 4,02,761) due to general revaluation, in Hazaribagh (Rs. 7,40,944) and Manbhum (Rs. 36,78,128) as the result of the assessment made on collieries under the Bihar Cess (Amendment) Act II of 1936 and in Singhbhum (Rs. 1,57,472) owing to

increase in the despatches of iron-ore. There was a decrease of Rs. 46,187 in seven other districts due to annual revision of assessment of mines, forests, etc., and reduction in the valuation of some estates allowed under section 37 of the Cess Act.

PART V.—MISCELLANEOUS.

Commissioners.

36. *Tours and Inspections.*—In Patna, the Commissioner toured for 36 days against 52 days in the preceding year, the shortage being due to frequent changes in the personnel and to the presence of the Commissioner at headquarters for hearing appeals and attending various functions. All the districts and four out of the ten subdivisional offices were inspected. In Tirhut, the Commissioner toured for 77 days. All the district and two of the subdivisional offices were inspected. In Bhagalpur, 75 days were spent on tour. Three district and 4 of the subdivisional offices were inspected. Tours and inspections had to be abandoned during February and March 1939 on account of Mr. Merriman's ill-health and his sudden departure from India. In Chota Nagpur, Mr. Middleton was out on tour for 79 days and inspected all the district offices and the subdivisional offices at Gumla, Latehar and Simdega. He visited Jamshedpur thrice in connection with the labour strikes in that area but his third visit was mainly in connection with the visit of His Excellency the Viceroy.

District Officers.

The period spent on tour by the District Officers exceeded or attained the prescribed minimum of 90 days or 60 nights except in Patna, Ranchi, Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga and Bhagalpur. In Ranchi and Bhagalpur, it fell short by 28 days and 5 nights respectively. In Bhagalpur, the shortage was due to the detention of the Collector for unusually long periods at the headquarters owing to communal tension at festivals while in Ranchi it is reported to be due to the pre-occupations at headquarters which did not leave the Deputy Commissioner enough time for touring in the interior. In Patna the shortage was for 3 days only. In Muzaffarpur the shortage was for 8 days and is reported to be due to the presence of the District Officer at headquarters for office and other work while in Darbhanga the shortage for 8 nights only s reported to be due to the presence of the Collector at headquarters on account of the visits of Their Excellencies the Viceroy and the Governor of Bihar during the touring season. All the district offices except Champaran and all the subdivisional offices with the exception of Supaul, Godda, Pakaur, Giridih, Chatra and Gumla were inspected. The District Officer of Patna inspected his treasury only once during the year. The sub-treasuries at Supaul, Godda and Gumla were not inspected by the District Officers concerned.

Subdivisional Officers.

The tours and inspections made by the majority of Subdivisional Officers were adequate. The officers in charge of Shahabad Sadr, Siwan, Bettiah, Supaul, Pakaur, Simdega and Dhalbhum failed to attain the number of days or nights prescribed for tour by their respective District Officers. In Shahabad and Simdega, the deficiency of 5 days and 1 day respectively calls for no comment. In Bettiah, the deficiency was for 3 days only and is reported to be due to the ill-health of the Subdivisional Officer. In Supaul it was for 11 days and was mainly due to the fact that the railway communication was suspended throughout the subdivision for the greater part of the year while in Pakaur the deficiency of 16 days was due to the sudden death of Rai Sahib Nalin Bihari Aikat and subsequent changes of incumbents. In Dhalbhum the shortage of 40 days was due to the detention of the Subdivisional Officer at headquarters owing to frequent labour strikes in the various companies at Jamshedpur. In Siwan the shortage was 37 nights but no explanation has been furnished. The Subdivisional Officers of Muzaffarpur Sadr and Giridih did not inspect their offices during the year. The Subdivisional Officer of Khunti inspected his sub-treasury only once in the year.

37. The records of the divisional, district and subdivisional offices were in good condition and due attention was paid to the proper classification of 'B' and 'C' class papers. No damage to records is reported. The quinquennial revision of the record room in Patna, Gaya Sadr and Aurangabad was completed during the year. A case of forgery in the decree sheet and compromise petition in a title-suit record of the 2nd Sub-Judge's (2nd officer's) Court at Deoghar was detected and after proper judicial enquiry the accused persons were committed to Sessions Court.

Records.

38. The libraries were generally in good order. The quinquennial revision of the library catalogue was completed at Rajmahal and Siwan and is in progress at Dumka and Jamtara. The catalogue was re-written in Purnea while its revision is being taken up at Bettiah. A list of obsolete books of the Kishanganj subdivisional library was prepared and sanction to their disposal obtained. A few books of the Siwan and Gopalganj subdivisional libraries were reported to be missing. The books and maps, reported to be missing from the sadr library at Motihari in the last year's report, have all been written off. Most of the books of the sadr library at Muzaffarpur, which were damaged by the earthquake, are very old and out of print. The obsolete books in the Monghyr sadr library could not be sold as none would purchase them. A few books were damaged by white ants at Deoghar where preventive steps have been taken by applying kerosene oil. The condition of the sadr library in Palamau is reported to be unsatisfactory and the quinquennial revision of the catalogue will be done after weeding out the obsolete books. A few books in Singhbhum were damaged by white ants. Effective and immediate steps were taken to disinfect the almirahs and the books are now free from white ants. Proposals for extending the subdivisional office building at Nawada to provide a separate room for library are under the consideration of Government.

Libraries.

39. The prescribed standard of the number of processes to be served by permanent peons was exceeded everywhere except in Simdega and Latehar, the excess being more than half in Patna, Muzaffarpur and the Santal Parganas. The average attained in Simdega was 342 against the standard of 500 and in Latehar 501 against 550. The shortage was as usual due to bad communications. Temporary peons were entertained in six districts only, viz., Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga, Bhagalpur, Purnea, Hazaribagh and the Santal Parganas. One peon in Pakaur was convicted under section 409 I. P. C. for misappropriation and was dismissed from Government service.

Working of the process-serving establishment.

40. There were seven cases, viz., 3 in Champaran, 2 in Ranchi and one each in Bhagalpur and Hazaribagh.

Treasure Trove Act (VI of 1878).

In Champaran 82 and 30 silver coins were unearthed in the Sadr and Bettiah subdivisions respectively and 64 Kushan copper coins in village Lauriya in that district. The silver coins were sent to the Patna Museum. A sum of Rs. 34 was found in the compound of the Subdivisional Officer, Supaul, while it was being dug up by labourers. The case under section 5(*a*) is pending. In Ranchi 20 gold mohurs and one nose ring, found by one Jharia Uraon in his field, were acquired by Government and sent to the Patna Museum. A sum of Rs. 38 was found by labourers while working in a house. They were not accepted by the Patna Museum, were declared ownerless under section 8 and distributed among the finders under section 11. In Hazaribagh the treasure consisted of four silver ornament (*bajua*) and twenty-three silver coins in a brass pot. As there was no claimant, it was acquired free of cost.

In Patna two stone images and one round stone piece were unearthed in the Bihar subdivision. They were reported to be of archæological interest but were not removed to the Patna Museum as the images were installed in a temple by the Hindus for worship. Of the four images in Gaya mentioned in the last year's report, one was made over to the villagers for worship and the remaining three to the Patna Museum. 56 Alam Shahi coins referred to in the last year's report were acquired under section 16 at a cost of Rs. 29 but none turned up to receive the amount. A silver "kugna" and Rs. 11-12-0 were found while digging a ditch in the Hajipur subdivision. The case is under enquiry.

41. There was no appreciable improvement in the material condition of the people. Weather conditions were favourable in the beginning of the season, but the failure of *hathiya* rains adversely affected the winter rice crop. Rains and pests damaged *rabi* crops both in the fields and in the threshing floors. In Tirhut less sugarcane was grown so that there was a keen competition for the cane and the higher minimum prices fixed benefited growers. Chilli and tobacco, which fetch ready money, suffered damage from moisture and frost. In Purnea the winter rice crop was a bumper one but jute which is the chief money crop of the district, failed. Sugarcane also suffered from floods and there was less demand for it owing to inability of the Semapur Sugar Mill to consume all the cane produced. In Chota Nagpur, the prices of shellac touched the lowest level hitherto recorded causing considerable distress amongst growers and labourers. The outturn of the paddy crop was very low in parts of Singhbhum. The stock of grains in possession of tenants, left over from previous years, was however sufficient. The tenants were neither prompt nor regular in the payment of rent. The gradual deterioration of irrigation facilities on the one hand and non-payment of rent on the other formed a vicious circle as the landlords were without money and unable to do anything unless rents were paid.

Material condition of the people (including inter-district emigration and immigration).

The entire Tirhut Division was affected by floods, severer than in the previous year. In Saran the *bhadoi* and paddy crops were completely destroyed in the flood-affected areas. In Muzaffarpur and Champaran also some damage was caused to crops while in Darbhanga crops were washed away, particularly in low-lying tracts. In north Bhagalpur railway communication between Mansi and Koparia was closed and the Kosi floods were more destructive than in previous years. In Purnea the floods caused much distress in July and August. Relief in the shape of takavi loans and free gifts was given in Saran, Muzaffarpur and Darbhanga to enable persons in the flooded areas to purchase seeds and to reconstruct their houses. In north Bhagalpur where high floods and heavy rainfall caused much damage, gratuitous relief in the shape of house-building grants and free seeds was given. In Purnea apart from the distress caused by floods, village credit was seriously affected by the Money-lenders Act and the *mahajans* were unwilling to lend money. Timely help in the form of gratuitous relief and advances of Agriculturists' loans saved the situation. Owing to the Ganges flood many villagers in the diara area in Rajmahal were rendered homeless. They were given gratuitous relief.

During the year under report the total number of emigrants from Ranchi to the labour districts of Assam was 13,425 including 3,995 dependants against 10,502 labourers including 4,517 dependants: the increase being due to the fluctuations of the labour market. The figures for Palamau decreased to 733 adults and 318 dependants against 1,170 and 490 dependants in the previous year. Four hundred and fifty-two coolies against 444 in the previous year were recruited from the Santal Parganas for the tea districts and 26 coolies were sent to the Superintendent, Lushai Hills. Labourers in that district had sufficient work in stone quarries, *sabai baries*, lac factories, mills and collieries and on the construction and repairs of roads. There was a slight increase in the rate of wages in the mica mines. In Ranchi and Palamau the rural uplift operations afforded employment to many field labourers besides improving the water-supply and communications in villages. In Manbhum the wages of miners were increased in most collieries. In Singhbhum the industrial and mining centres, as usual, gave employment to a large number of people. There was improvement in the housing conditions of labourers and arrangements for sanitation and water-supply were effected in some of the mining areas though in the majority of mines and factories here is no arrangement for medical relief.

The general health of the people was on the whole satisfactory. There was malaria in an epidemic form in thanas Patepur, Majorganj and in Rampurhari and Parsauni areas in Muzaffarpur, in parts of Samastipur in Darbhanga, in areas affected by Kosi floods in north Bhagalpur and was at its worst in Rajmahal and Pakaur subdivisions of the Santal Parganas after the rains. In spite of abnormal floods, malaria and kala-azar did not increase in Purnea. There were outbreaks of cholera and small-pox in different parts of the province which were not allowed to develop into epidemic form except in Mokameh where cholera continued to rage for months together. Plague broke out in a few villages in Muzaffarpur and in the town of Bettiah, as usual. Preventive measures were taken and the spread of the disease was checked. In the Santal Parganas tuberculosis and leprosy are giving cause for anxiety as according to medical opinion, both are on the increase. The condition of cattle was satisfactory on the whole and no serious disease was reported from anywhere.

Information about economic development.

42. *Patna Division.*—As in the last year, five sugar mills, one each in Patna and Gaya and three in Shahabad worked during the year. The area under sugarcane was 37,479 acres against 36,253 acres—a larger area was brought under cane cultivation on account of a rise in the prices of sugar and *gur* last year. The mills in Shahabad did not work to their full crushing capacity owing to shortage in the supply of cane. Manufacture of *gur* continued on a large scale in areas far away from the mills and its high price made local crushing quite profitable. Besides the sugar mill, said to be the largest in Bihar, the Rohtas Industries, Limited, have cement, paper and caustic soda factories. The Sone Valley Portland Cement Company extended their factory and quarried a larger quantity of limestone from the Rohtas hills. The number of flour and oil mills working in Shahabad during the year was 65 against 49 in the previous year. They are progressing. In Gaya the rice and oil mills did extensive business. The Gaya Cotton Mills have been expanded and the Shree Bihari Mills and the Bhanamul Gulzarimul Iron Foundry in Patna continued to work well. The Government Weaving Institute in Bihar and the Weavers' Co-operative Society at Asanager did satisfactory work.

Tirhut Division.—Twenty-five sugar mills besides refineries worked during the year. Sugarcane was not grown extensively and the factories were able to crush the crop during the season. Three new rice mills in Darbhanga and one in Muzaffarpur were started during the year. There was no report about the smuggling of cotton goods from Nepal, the publication of Government notification and preventive measures being successful to check it. One new co-operative society was opened during the year in Champaran and no society went under liquidation. The manufacture of net bags, carpets, newar, mats and various kinds of cotton cloth continued at the Chauterwa Dom Settlement under the supervision of the officer in charge of the Salvation Army and the weaving master. The Bettiah Christian Mission continued to manufacture coats, caps, *ganjis*, and other woollen and cotton garments. The handloom industry in the Madhubani subdivision was thriving. The Khadi Bhandar in that place, a branch of the All-India Spinners' Association, produced cloth, paper and cane wares and had dyeing, printing, tailoring and carpentry sections working satisfactorily. The Government Agricultural Farms at Siwan and Sepaya helped the cultivators by explaining new and improved methods of cultivation, lending agricultural implements and demonstrating the use of manures.

Bhagalpur Division.—In Monghyr business in all important trade centres continued to be dull. 29 mica mines were worked against 24 in the preceding year. There was a slight increase in the cultivation of sugarcane and manufacture of molasses. The sugar mill at Mullehapur was closed down owing to competition of the Bihar Sugar Mill. Jhajha continued to be a small trade centre for the manufacture of *biris*, bricks, tiles, etc. In the Banka subdivision of Bhagalpur the cultivation of cane is said to have become more popular than that of paddy. Sixteen mills of various kinds worked during the year in Purnea. There were 68 Canegrowers' Co-operative Societies in the district, providing facilities to their members in disposing of their cane. The tea gardens in the Kishanganj subdivision proved a real asset to the district. The agricultural farm run by the Tournament Fund continued its useful work by distributing improved seeds and chemical manures, free of cost. Weaving of *patanis* and *lungis*, manufacture of cart-wheels, crude molasses, brass and alloy spoons are some of the indigenous industries of the district. The manufacture of *motia* cloth on handlooms in the Pakaur and Dumka subdivisions was continued as usual. There is a considerable demand for these indigenous goods. The shellac factories at Pakaur and Kotalpukur worked on a small scale as the market was dull. The stone business at Rajmahal was satisfactory, providing employment to a large number of labourers. The quartz sand kaolin factory at Mangalhat worked well while eight collieries besides four surface pits worked during the year. There was an increase in the export of *sabai* grass to the Titagarh Paper Mills, the quantity despatched being 316,963 maunds against 279,730 in the preceding year. The co-operative societies in Monghyr and Bhagalpur showed no improvement, but the co-operative banks in Purnea are reported to have done useful work. The grain golas and co-operative societies in the Santal Parganas worked satisfactorily except the central bank at Rajmahal and the co-operative societies in the non-Damin portion of the subdivision.

Chota Nagpur Division.—Despatches of coal from Hazaribagh increased from 2,393,668 tons in 1937 to 3,165,010 tons in 1938. The improvement in the mica industry continued : export increased in quantity by 34 per cent and in value by 14·5 per cent, the total value of exports being Rs. 25,38,099 against Rs. 22,16,889 in the preceding year. The shellac market in the Chatra subdivision showed a slight improvement. In Ranchi the lac industry suffered from depression throughout the year. Locally made *motia* cloth and *biris* had a brisk sale. In Manbhum there was considerable improvement in the coal industry until about the middle of the year and prices improved substantially. As a result a number of small mines were opened and some discontinued mines were re-opened. Towards the end of the year the demand slackened and the prices fell. The sharp rise in prices during the first half of the year was due to the shortage in the supply of wagons, scarcity of labour and consequent shortage of coal. The output and despatches of coal from Dhanbad were 11,542,572 tons and 8,465,125 tons against 9,438,075 tons and 7,900,806 tons, respectively. Other industrial concerns of the district such as the Engineering, Fire Clay and Silica Works at Ekra, the Coke plant at Bararee and the Bye-products work at Lodna continued to work. In Singhbhum although labour unrest and strikes prevailed in some of the industrial concerns, most of them continued their operations in full swing. The Tata Iron and Steel Company despatched 680,247 tons of iron-ore from their Noamundi mines against 542,697 tons in the previous year. The production of pig iron and saleable steel amounted to 1,023,000 tons and 701,000 tons respectively, against 921,300 tons and 660,378 tons, respectively. The Bengal Iron Company, Limited, who have been amalgamated with the Indian Iron and Steel Company, worked their mines satisfactorily, raising 545,822 tons of iron ore during the year under report. At the copper mines worked by the Indian Copper Corporation, Limited, operations were seriously dislocated through a strike which lasted for nearly three months. The trouble was satisfactorily brought to an end by the intervention of the Conciliation Board appointed by Government. Their output was consequently reduced, being 322,649 short tons compared with 410,867 short tons in the previous year. The production of refined copper amounted to 5,330 long tons against 6,830 long tons. Of the subsidiary companies, the Tin Plate Company worked 62,228 tons of steel against 74,430 tons and the Hot Mills 50,368 tons against 69,360 tons in the preceding year. Productions decreased owing to a strike which was brought to an end by the intervention of the Conciliation Board. The Jamshedpur Engineering and Machine Manufacturing Company, Limited, did good business and the manganese, chromite and kaolin market showed steady progress.

43. The Board desires to acknowledge the services of the Divisional Commissioners in the administration of the Land Revenue Department. The following officers have done good work during the year :—

DISTRICT OFFICERS.

Mr. S. L. Marwood, I.C.S.
" B. K. Gokhale, I.C.S.
" W. G. Lacey, C.I.E., I.C.S.
" D. P. Sharma, I.C.S.
" A. Whittaker, C.I.E., I.C.S.
" V. E. Davies, I.C.S.
Mr. F. E. A. Taylor, I.C.S.
" A. H. Kemp, I.C.S.
" J. S. Hardman, I.C.S.
" W. G. Archer, I.C.S.
Rai Bahadur Nagendra Nath Ray.
Rai Bahadur Bishundev Narayan Singh.

JOINT MAGISTRATES AND DEPUTY COLLECTORS.

Mr. M. Azfar, I.C.S.
" J. I. Blackburn, I.C.S.
Mr. N. N. Wanchoo, I.C.S.
" S. Jagannathan, I.C.S.

DEPUTY MAGISTRATES AND DEPUTY COLLECTORS.

Khan Bahadur Chaudhuri Muhammad Nazir Alam.
Mr. Narendra Kumar Ray.
Rai Bahadur Atulyadhan Banarji.
Mr. Luke Bibhuprashad Seal.
Rai Bahadur Rameshvar Singh.
Rai Bahadur Mathura Prashad Sinha.
Rai Sahib Nagendra Prashad.
Rai Bahadur Jag Datta.
Khan Bahadur Saiyid Abu Nasar Muhammad Omar.
Rai Sahib Paresh Nath Mazumdar.
Rai Sahib Radha Raman Ghosh.
Rai Sahib Akhileshvar Prashad.
Rai Sahib Mangalananda Pande.
Rai Sahib Santosh Kumar Aikat.
Babu Surjya Narayan Singh (No. II).
Rai Sahib Mahabir Prashad.
Rai Sahib Harihar Prashad Singh.
Mr. David Prem Prashad Singh.
Rai Sahib Kripa Narayan Singh.
Babu Bankim Chandra Ghosh.
Babu Jamuna Prashad.
" Vindhyeshvari Datta Misra.
" Sarat Chandra Mukharji.
" Manmatha Nath Sarkar.
Khan Sahib Saiyid Shamsuddaula Nasiruddin Haidar.
Babu Harpati Kanth.
Rai Sahib Udit Narayan Pande.
Rai Sahib Bankim Chandra Mukharji.
Babu Lakshman Prashad.
" Satya Narain Singh (No. II).
" Panchanan Sharan Singh.
Pradhan Suryavarti Prashad.

SUB-DEPUTY MAGISTRATES AND SUB-DEPUTY COLLECTORS.

Mr. Aloysius Theophile Kujur.
Babu Hitesh Chandra Chakravarti.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

A. N. DAS,

Secretary.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX I.

[*Vide* paragraph 2 of the text.]

Demands, collections, remissions and balances of land revenue (including malikana *and revenue of police lands) of estates on the tauzi roll in* 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Number of estates.	Demands. Current.	Demands. Arrear.	Demands. Total.	Collections. Current.	Collections. Arrear.	Collections. Total.	Remissions.	Balances. Current.	Balances. Arrear.	Balances. Total.	Classification of balances. Doubtful and irrecoverable.	Classification of balances. In process of recovery.	Percentage. Of current collections (column 6) on current demands (column 3).	Percentage. Of arrear collections (column 7) on arrear demands (column 4).	Percentage. Of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 5).	Payments in advance on account of the future years.	Total of sums included in the total demands of the year, the recovery of which was in suspense.	Collections made within the year but not credited in the accounts of the year.	Percentage of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 5), if the amount in column 19 is excluded from the demands and that in column 20 added to the collections.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
BIHAR.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Patna Division.																				
Patna	18,096	15,73,618	1,45,546	17,19,164	14,28,528	1,02,012	15,30,540	972	1,45,090	42,562	1,87,652	6	1,87,646	90·78	70·09	89·03	2,51,629	...	7,806	89·48
Gaya	13,045	15,01,535	93,820	15,95,355	13,92,158	81,094	14,73,253	2,942	1,09,877	9,784	1,19,161	3,942	1,15,210	92·71	86·43	92·34	2,13,961	...	...	...
Shahabad	14,842	19,80,019	2,27,136	21,07,155	17,91,375	53,542	18,44,917	40,216	68,644	1,33,378	2,22,022	...	2,22,022	95·28	23·57	87·55	1,59,642	...	...	...
Total ...	45,983	49,55,172	4,66,502	54,21,674	46,12,061	2,36,648	48,48,709	44,130	3,43,111	1,85,724	5,28,835	3,948	5,24,887	93·08	50·73	89·43	6,25,232	...	7,806	89·58
Tirhut Division.																				
Saran	9,196	12,85,561	41,525	13,27,086	12,30,687	21,501	12,52,188	1,259	54,874	18,765	73,639	...	73,639	95·73	51·77	94·35	1,30,579	...	148	94·36
Champaran	1,514	5,16,618	760	5,17,378	5,14,960	603	5,15,563	...	1,658	157	1,815	...	1,815	99·67	79·34	99·64	20,883	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	25,306	9,81,888	16,046	9,97,934	9,59,974	11,001	9,70,975	168	21,900	4,883	26,791	...	26,791	97·76	68·55	97·29	2,67,709	...	...	...
Darbhanga	16,912	7,90,648	2,178	7,92,826	7,86,704	2,178	7,88,882	...	3,994	...	3,944	...	3,944	99·5	100	99·5	1,68,279	...	...	...
Total ...	52,928	35,74,715	60,509	36,35,224	34,92,325	35,283	35,27,608	1,427	82,385	23,804	1,06,189	...	1,06,189	97·69	58·31	97·03	5,87,450	...	148	97·04
Bhagalpur Division.																				
Monghyr	10,065	9,65,062	1,56,381	11,21,443	8,53,255	69,369	9,22,624	1,870	1,11,807	85,142	1,96,949	20,129	1,76,820	88·41	44·36	82·27	1,86,854	...	4,002	82·62
Bhagalpur	5,185	6,14,803	54,922	6,69,725	5,71,238	20,610	5,91,848	7,043	43,565	27,269	70,834	6,225	64,609	93·91	37·52	88·37	68,801	...	337	88·41
Purnea	1,674	12,13,117	76,872	12,89,989	10,32,767	73,579	11,06,346	927	1,80,350	2,366	1,82,716	...	1,82,716	85·13	95·71	85·76	45,278	...	387	85·79
Santal Parganas	465	4,68,463	4,17,640	8,86,103	4,31,575	1,02,073	5,33,648	3,08,759	36,888	6,808	43,696	...	43,696	92·12	24·44	60·22	30,686	...	...	...
Total ...	17,389	32,61,445	7,05,815	39,67,260	28,88,835	2,65,631	31,54,466	3,18,599	3,72,610	1,21,585	4,94,195	26,354	4,67,841	88·57	37·63	79·51	3,31,619	...	4,726	79·63
CHOTA NAGPUR.																				
Chota Nagpur Division.																				
Hazaribagh	88	1,03,153	40,785	1,43,938	93,981	2,675	96,656	37,983	9,146	153	9,299	...	9,299	91·10	6·56	67·15	8,919	...	1,817	68·04
Ranchi	12	62,267	27,105	89,372	34,031	21,288	55,319	...	28,236	5,817	34,[illegible]53	...	34,053	54·65	78·54	61·82	...	...	...	...
Palamau	259	1,19,803	80,210	2,00,013	25,493	68,003	93,496	...	94,310	10,169	1,04,479	...	1,04,479	21·28	84·78	46·74	4,709	...	...	...
Manbhum	33	80,944	1,517	82,461	80,641	1,517	82,158	3,039	303	...	303	...	303	99·63	100	99·63	278	...	...	...
Singhbhum	5	2,40,719	1,48,458	3,89,177	85,271	1,09,611	1,94,882	269	1,55,448	38,578	1,94,026	...	1,94,026	35·42	73·83	50·07	11	...	...	...
Total ...	397	6,06,836	2,98,075	9,04,961	3,19,417	2,03,094	5,22,511	40,290	2,87,443	54,717	3,42,160	...	3,42,160	52·63	68·14	57·73	13,917	...	1,287	57·88
Grand Total... 1938-39 ...	116,697	1,23,98,218	15,30,901	1,39,29,119	1,13,12,638	7,40,[illegible]56	1,20,53,294	4,04446	10,85,649	3,85,830	14,71,379	30,302	14,41,077	91·24	48·38	86·53	15,58,218	...	13,967	86·62
Grand Total... 1937-38 ...	116,379	1,25,63,403	14,44,931	1,40,08,334	1,14,72,133	9,51,862	1,24,23,995	63,265	10,84,744	4,36,330	15,21,074	50,596	14,70,478	91·31	65·87	88·69	15,41,282	...	20,880	88·82

		Rs.	Rs.
Total demand (column 5)			1,39,29,119
Deduct—Nominal demand (column 19)			Nil
	Total ...		1,39,29,119
Deduct—Total Collection (column 8)		1,20,53,294	
Plus—Collection made within the year but not credited in accounts (column 20) ...		13,967	1,20,67,261
			18,61,858
Deduct—Remission (column 9)			4,04,446
	True balance ...		14,57,412

APPENDIX I-A.

[*Vide* paragraph 3 of the text.]

Permanently-settled Estates, 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Number of estates.	Demands. Current.	Demands. Arrear.	Demands. Total.	Collections. Current.	Collections. Arrear.	Collections. Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
BIHAR.							
Patna Division.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Patna	19,023	13,97,024	17,992	14,15,016	13,72,588	15,056	13,87,644
Gaya	13,003	13,38,062	7,032	13,45,094	13,29,885	6,953	13,36,838
Shahabad	14,197	15,13,934	10,258	15,24,192	15,00,497	8,121	15,08,618
Total ...	45,223	42,49,020	35,282	42,84,302	42,02,970	30,130	42,33,100
Tirhut Division.							
Saran	9,106	12,29,019	13,345	12,42,364	12,01,735	10,254	12,11,989
Champaran	1,505	5,14,133	229	5,14,362	5,13,823	229	5,14,052
Muzaffarpur	25,257	9,60,213	1,849	9,62,062	9,51,068	1,849	9,52,017
Darbhanga	16,905	7,84,678	479	7,85,157	7,82,528	479	7,83,007
Total ...	52,773	34,88,043	15,902	35,03,945	34,49,154	12,811	34,61,965
Bhagalpur Division.							
Monghyr	9,973	7,76,710	1,316	7,78,026	7,75,275	1,307	7,76,582
Bhagalpur	5,163	5,68,134	731	5,68,865	5,66,515	668	5,67,183
Purnea	1,646	11,93,025	62,626	12,55,651	10,26,398	62,626	10,89,024
Santal Parganas	446	1,09,035	61	1,09,096	1,09,008	61	1,09,069
Total ...	17,228	26,46,904	64,734	27,11,638	24,77,196	64,662	25,41,858
CHOTA NAGPUR.							
Chota Nagpur Division.							
Hazaribagh	84	47,260	49	47,309	47,153	49	47,202
Ranchi	1	14,364	...	14,364	14,364	...	14,364
Palamau	256	25,304	147	25,451	25,205	147	25,352
Manbhum	27	77,768	1,124	78,892	77,768	1,124	78,892
Singhbhum	1	4,267	...	4,267	4,267	...	4,267
Total ...	369	1,68,963	1,320	1,70,283	1,68,757	1,320	1,70,077
Grand Total ... 1938-39 ...	115,593	1,05,52,930	1,17,238	1,06,70,168	1,02,98,077	1,08,923	1,04,07,000
Grand Total ... 1937-38 ...	115,272	1,05,54,377	1,79,405	1,07,33,782	1,04,28,084	1,74,934	1,06,03,018

Divisions and Districts.	Remissions.	Balances. Current.	Balances. Arrear.	Balances. Total.	Classification of balances. Doubtful and irrecoverable.	Classification of balances. In process of recovery.	Percentage Of current collections (column 6) on current demands (column 3).	Percentage Of arrear collections (column 7) on arrear demands (column 4).	Percentage Of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 5).	Total of sums included in the total demands of the year, the recovery of which was in suspense.	Collections made within the year but not credited in the accounts of the year.	Percentage of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 5), if the amount in column 18 is excluded from the demands and that in column 19 added to the collections.
1	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.				Rs.	Rs.	
Patna	...	24,436	2,936	27,372	...	27,372	98·25	83·68	98·07	...	...	...
Gaya	...	8,177	79	8,256	...	8,256	99·38	98·87	99·38	...	...	...
Shahabad	652	13,437	1,485	14,922	...	14,922	99·11	79·17	98·98	...	...	...
Total	652	46,050	4,500	50,550	...	50,550	98·91	85·40	98·80	...	...	...
Saran	...	27,284	3,091	30,375	...	30,375	97·78	76·83	97·55	...	...	...
Champaran	...	310	...	310	...	310	99·93	100	99·93	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	...	9,145	...	9,145	...	9,145	99·04	100	99·04	...	...	...
Darbhanga	...	2,150	...	2,150	...	2,150	99·72	100	99·72	...	...	...
Total	...	38,889	3,091	41,980	...	41,980	98·88	85·62	98·80	...	...	...
Monghyr	...	1,435	9	1,444	...	1,444	99·81	99·31	99·81	...	...	...
Bhagalpur	...	1,619	63	1,682	...	1,682	99·71	91·38	99·70	...	...	...
Purnea	...	1,66,627	...	1,66,627	...	1,66,627	86·03	100	86·72	...	...	...
Santal Parganas	...	27	...	27	...	27	99·97	100	99·97	...	...	...
Total	...	1,69,708	72	1,69,780	...	1,69,780	93·58	99·88	93·73	...	...	...
Hazaribagh	...	107	...	107	...	107	99·77	10	99·77	...	...	...
Ranchi	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	100	...	...	...
Palamau	...	99	...	99	...	99	99·60	100	99·61	...	...	...
Manbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	100	...	...	...
Singhbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	100	...	...	...
Total	...	206	...	206	...	206	99·88	100	99·88	...	...	...
Grand Total 1938-39	652	2,54,853	7,663	2,62,516	...	2,62,516	97·58	92·90	97·53	...	...	...
Grand Total 1937-38	...	1,26,293	4,471	1,30,764	...	1,30,764	98·80	97·51	98·78	...	...	...

		Rs.	Rs.
Total demand of the year (column 5)	... ...		1,06,70,168
Deduct—Nominal demand (column 18)	... ...		Nil
			1,06,70,168
Deduct—Total collection (column 8)	... ...	1,04,07,000	
Plus—Collection made within the year but not credited in accounts (column 19)		*Nil*	1,04,07,000
			2,63,168
Deduct—Remission allowed during the year (column 9)	... ...		652
	True balance		2,62,516

APPENDIX I-B.

[*Vide* paragraph 4 of the text.]

**Temporarily-settled Estates*, 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Number of estates.	Demands. Current.	Demands. Arrear.	Demands. Total.	Collections. Current.	Collections. Arrear.	Collections. Total.	Remissions.	Balances. Current.	Balances. Arrear.	Balances. Total.	Classification of balances. Doubtful and irrecoverable.	Classification of balances. In process of recovery.	Percentage. Of current collections (column 6) on current demands (column 3).	Percentage. Of arrear collections (column 7) on arrear demands (column 4).	Percentage. Of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 5).	Total of sums included in the total demands of the year, the recovery of which was in suspense.	Collections made within the year but not credited in the accounts of the year.	Percentage of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 5), if the amount in column 18 is excluded from the demands and that in column 19 added to the collections.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
BIHAR.																			
Patna Division.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.				Rs.	Rs.	
Patna	15	11,849	1,622	13,471	8,561	460	9,021	...	3,288	1,162	4,450	...	4,450	72·25	28·36	66·97	...	...	...
Gaya	10	42,741	15,468	58,209	33,991	5,763	39,754	...	8,750	9,705	18,455	...	18,455	79·53	37·25	68·29	...	...	...
Shahabad	570	1,80,530	24,455	2,04,985	1,65,699	22,803	1,88,502	...	14,831	1,652	16,483	...	16,483	91·78	93·24	91·96	...	...	...
Total ...	595	2,35,120	41,545	2,76,665	2,08,251	29,026	2,37,277	...	26,869	12,519	39,388	...	39,388	88·57	69·87	85·76	...	...	...
Tirhut Division.																			
Saran	54	33,241	8,745	41,986	21,159	5,176	26,335	...	12,082	3,569	15,651	...	15,651	63·65	59·18	62·72	...	...	...
Champaran	6	2,022	409	2,431	833	324	1,156	...	1,190	85	1,275	...	1,275	41·14	79·21	47·55	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	29	13,779	5,884	19,663	5,701	5,884	11,585	...	8,078	...	8,078	...	8,078	41·37	100	58·91	...	...	...
Darbhanga	3	1,830	330	2,160	1,330	330	1,660	...	500	...	500	...	500	72·67	100	76·85	...	...	...
Total ...	92	50,872	15,368	66,240	29,022	11,714	40,736	...	21,850	3,654	25,504	...	25,504	57·04	76·22	61·49	...	...	...
Bhagalpur Division.																			
Monghyr	56	59,412	27,780	87,192	45,360	7,060	52,420	...	14,052	20,720	34,772	...	34,772	76·35	25·41	60·12	...	...	...
Bhagalpur	9	1,751	139	1,890	1,669	111	1,780	...	82	28	110	...	110	95·31	79·85	94·17	...	...	...
Purnea	25	1,523	879	2,402	992	759	1,751	...	531	120	651	...	651	65·13	86·34	72·89	...	...	...
Santal Parganas	2	4,521	350	4,871	3,321	350	3,671	...	1,200	...	1,200	...	1,200	73·45	100	75·36	...	...	...
Total ...	92	67,207	29,148	96,355	51,342	8,280	59,622	...	15,865	20,868	36,733	...	36,733	76·39	28·40	61·87	...	...	...
CHOTA NAGPUR.																			
Chota Nagpur Division.																			
Hazaribagh	...	...	37,942	37,942	...	...	...	37,942	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ranchi	2	155	189	344	20	13	33	...	135	176	311	...	311	12·90	6·88	9·59	...	...	
Palamau	2	580	242	822	288	242	530	...	292	...	292	...	292	49·65	100	64·47	...	...	...
Manbhum	2	3,176	393	3,569	2,873	393	3,266	...	303	...	303	...	303	90·46	100	91·51	...	...	...
Singhbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	6	3,911	38,766	42,677	3,181	648	3,829	37,942	730	176	906	...	906	81·33	1·67	8·97	...	...	...
Grand Total ... 1938-39 ...	785	3,57,110	1,24,827	4,81,937	2,91,796	49,668	,41,464	37,942	65,314	37,217	1,02,531	...	1,02,531	81·71	39·79	70·85	...	...	...
Grand Total ... 1937-38 ...	789	4,01,098	76,033	4,77,131	3,03,959	48,558	3,52,517	9,638	95,557	19,419	1,14,976	37,942	77,034	75·78	63·86	73·88	...	...	...

			Rs.
Total demand of the year (column 5)			... 4,81,937
Deduct—Nominal demand (column 18)			... Nil
		Total	... 4,81,937
Deduct—Total collection (column 8)	Rs. 3,41,464		
Plus—Collection made within the year but not credited in accounts (column 19).	Nil	...	3,41,464
			1,40,473
Deduct—Remission allowed during the year (column 9)			... 37,942
		True balance	... 1,02,531

*This appendix is meant to show figures for the three following classes of estates :—

(a) Estates settled by periods with proprietors.

(b) Private estates leased to farmers for periods.

(c) Government estates leased to farmers for periods.

APPENDIX I-C.

[*Vide* paragraph 5 of the text.]

**Estates held direct by Government,* 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Number of estates.	Demands. Current.	Demands. Arrear.	Demands. Total.	Collections. Current.	Collections. Arrear.	Collections. Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
BIHAR.							
Patna Division.							
Patna	58	1,64,745	1,25,932	2,90,677	47,379	86,496	1,33,875
Gaya	32	1,20,732	71,320	1,92,052	28,282	68,378	96,660
Shahabad	75	1,85,555	1,92,423	3,77,978	1,25,179	22,618	1,47,797
Total ...	165	4,71,032	3,89,675	8,60,707	2,00,840	1,77,492	3,78,332
Tirhut Division.							
Saran	36	23,301	19,435	42,736	7,793	6,071	13,864
Champaran	3	463	122	585	305	50	355
Muzaffarpur	20	7,896	8,313	16,209	3,205	3,268	6,473
Darbhanga	4	4,140	1,369	5,509	2,846	1,369	4,215
Total ...	63	35,800	29,239	65,039	14,149	10,758	24,907
Bhagalpur Division.							
Monghyr	36	1,28,940	1,27,285	2,56,225	32,620	61,002	93,623
Bhagalpur	13	44,918	54,052	98,970	3,054	19,831	22,885
Purnea	3	18,569	13,367	31,936	5,377	10,194	15,571
Santal Parganas	17	3,54,907	4,17,229	7,72,136	3,19,246	1,01,662	4,20,908
Total ...	69	5,47,334	6,11,933	11,59,267	3,60,297	1,92,689	5,52,986
CHOTA NAGPUR.							
Chota Nagpur Division.							
Hazaribagh	4	55,893	2,794	58,687	46,828	2,626	49,454
Ranchi	9	47,748	26,916	74,664	19,647	21,275	40,922
Palamau	1	93,919	79,821	1,73,740	...	67,614	67,614
Manbhum	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	4	2,36,452	1,48,458	3,84,910	81,004	1,09,611	1,90,615
Total ...	22	4,34,012	2,57,989	6,92,001	1,47,479	2,01,126	3,48,605
Grand Total ... 1938-39 ...	319	14,88,178	12,88,836	27,77,014	7,22,765	5,82,065	13,01,830
Grand Total ... 1937-38 ...	3.8	16,07,928	11,89,493	27,97,421	7,40,090	7,28,370	14,68,460

Divisions and Districts.	Remissions.	Balances. Current.	Balances. Arrear.	Balances. Total.	Classification of balances. Doubtful and irrecoverable.	Classification of balances. In process of recovery.	Percentage. Of current collections (column 6) on current demands (column 3).	Percentage. Of arrear collections (column 7) on arrear demands (column 4).	Percentage. Of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 6).	Total of sums included in the total demands of the year, the recovery of which was in suspense.	Collections made within the year but not credited in the accounts of the year.	Percentage of total collections (column 8) on total demands (column 5), if the amount in column 18 is excluded from the demands and that in column 19 added to the collections.
1	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.				Rs.	Rs.	
BIHAR.												
Patna Division.												
Patna	972	1,17,366	38,464	1,55,830	6	1,55,824	28·76	68·68	46·06	...	7,806	48·74
Gaya	2,942	92,450	...	92,450	3,942	88,508	23·43	95·87	50·33	...	...	...
Shahabad	39,564	60,376	1,30,241	1,90,617	...	1,90,617	67·46	11·75	39·10	...	...	...
Total	43,478	2,70,192	1,68,705	4,38,897	3,948	4,34,949	42·64	45·55	43·96	...	7,806	44·86
Tirhut Division.												
Saran	1,259	15,508	12,105	27,613	...	27,613	33·44	31·23	32·44	...	148	32·78
Champaran	...	158	72	230	...	230	65·87	40·98	60·68	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	168	4,686	4,882	9,568	...	9,568	40·59	39·31	39·93	...	...	...
Darbhanga	...	1,294	...	1,294	...	1,294	68·74	100	76·51	...	...	...
Total	1,427	21,646	17,059	38,705	...	38,705	39·52	36·79	38·29	...	148	38·52
Bhagalpur Division.												
Monghyr	1,870	96,320	64,413	1,60,733	20,129	1.40,604	25·29	47·92	36·54	...	4,002	38·10
Bhagalpur	7,043	41,864	27,178	69,042	6,225	26,817	6·79	36·68	23·12	...	337	23·46
Purnea	927	13,192	2,246	15,438	...	15,438	28·95	76·26	48·75	...	387	49·96
Santal Parganas	3,08,759	35,661	6,808	42,469	...	42,469	89·98	24·36	54·51	...	...	...
Total	3,18,599	1,87,037	1,00,645	2,87,682	26,354	2,61,328	65·83	31·48	47·70	...	4,726	48·10
CHOTA NAGPUR.												
Chota Nagpur Division.												
Hazaribagh	41	9,039	153	9,192	...	9,192	83·78	93·99	84·27	...	1,287	86·46
Ranchi	...	28,101	5,641	33,742	...	33,742	41·14	79·04	54·80	...	...	...
Palamau	2,038	93,919	10,169	1,04,088	...	1,04,088	...	84·70	38·91	...	...	...
Manbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	269	1,55,448	38,578	1,94,026	...	1,94,026	34·25	73·83	49·52	...	...	...
Total	2,348	2,86,507	54,541	3,41,048	...	3,41,048	33·98	77·96	50·38	...	1,287	50·56
Grand Total 1938-39	3,65,852	7,65,382	3,40,950	11,06,332	33,302	10,76,030	48·57	45·16	46·99	...	13,967	47·49
Grand Total 1937-38	53,627	8,62.894	4,12,440	12,75,334	12,654	12,62,680	46·02	61·2	52·49	...	20,880	53·24

* This Appendix is meant to show figures for the two following classes of estates:—
(*a*) Estates managed by Government for proprietors.
(*b*) Estates owned by Government as proprietors.

	Rs.	Rs.
Total demand of the year (column 5)		27,77,014
Deduct—Nominal demand (column 18)		Nil
Total ...		27,77,014
Deduct—Total collection (column 8)	13,04,830	
Plus—Collection made within the year but not credited in accounts (column 19) ...	13,967	13,18,797
		14.58,217
Deduct—Remission allowed during the year (column 9)...		3,65.852
True balance ...		10,92,365

APPENDIX II.

[*Vide* paragraph 6 of the text.]

Collections, remissions and balances of forest and miscellaneous revenue for the year 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Collections.														Remissions.	Balance.	
	Sale of Government estates.	Value of revenue abated under Act I of 1894.	Fees under Regulation VIII of 1819.	Fees under Act VII (B.C.) of 1876.	Fees under Act VIII of 1885.	Fees under Act XI of 1859.	Fines and forfeitures of revenue courts.	Miscellaneous rents (Ghats, Bazars, Fisheries, etc.), *Sairats*, sale of trees and crops and royalties other than those under the mining rules.	Recovery of Survey and Settlement charges.	Royalties and other receipts under mining rules.	Forest receipts.	Police contributions (Chota Nagpur Division only).	Other receipts.	Total.		Recovery of Survey and Settlement charges.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
BIHAR.																	
Patna Division.																	
Patna	...	54	...	...	...	...	1,026	8,197	...	...	...	...	458	9,735	1,838	...	2,4[illegible]
Gaya	...	491	...	144	...	238	2,448	10,309	...	1,354	...	...	2,127	17,111	2,701	...	2,9[illegible]
Shahabad	...	79	50	106	32	262	466	4,802	...	95,036	...	...	3,070	1,03,903	125	...	9,1[illegible]
Total ...	...	624	50	250	32	500	3,940	23,308	...	96,390	...	...	5,655	1,30,749	4,664	...	14,6[illegible]
Tirhut Division.																	
Saran	...	...	...	...	...	...	577	1,996	...	...	...	...	1,352	3,925	...	...	...
Champaran ...	...	10	...	...	...	...	185	792	...	...	...	...	1,814	2,801	490	...	7[illegible]
Muzaffarpur ...	...	...	...	74	...	...	1,208	...	...	...	...	...	1,737	3,019	229	...	2[illegible]
Darbhanga ...	...	86	...	184	...	62	74	2,255	...	...	...	...	3,192	5,853	...	...	...
Total ...	...	96	...	258	...	62	2,044	5,043	...	...	...	...	8,095	15,598	719	...	1,0[illegible]
Bhagalpur Division.																	
Monghyr	..	24	...	89	...	206	718	5,004	...	775	...	...	9,522	16,368	617	...	6[illegible]
Bhagalpur	224	...	...	...	...	...	444	4,200	...	...	...	...	6,534	11,402	...	...	..
Purnea	..	33	683	451	39	14	702	3,227	...	...	...	...	795	5,944	...	...	..
Santal Parganas ...	.	...	...	81	...	...	59	..	...	34,775	53,283	...	7,186	95,384	10	...	..
Total ...	224	57	683	621	39	220	1,923	12,431	...	35,550	53,283	...	24,067	1,29,098	627	...	6[illegible]
CHOTA NAGPUR.																	
Chota Nagpur Division.																	
Hazaribagh ...	...	..	...	...	...	...	348	4,826	...	69,552	39,671	2,594	14,572	1,31,563	512	...	1,4[illegible]
Ranchi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,231	...	...	...	3,025	1,380	9,636	...	...	1[illegible]
Palamau	...	..	...	36	...	...	424	5,708	...	470	17,690	1,841	2,411	28,580	...	...	...
Manbhum	...	...	7	160	...		24	1,411	...	...	...	1,754	495	3,851	..	...	...
Singhbhum ...	6		...	...	...	...	282	27,561	29,980	1,97,729	...	517	7,221	2,63,296	...	...	12,0[illegible]
Total ..	6		7	196	...	...	1,078	44,737	29,980	2,67,751	57,361	9,731	26,079	4,36,926	512	...	13,6[illegible]
Grand Total 1938-39 ...	230	777	740	1,325	71	782	8,985	85,619	29,980	3,99,691	1,10,644	9,731	63,896	7,12,371	6,532	...	29,[illegible]
Grand Total 1937-38 ...	45	6,908	97	1,075	50	1,094	12,260	1,02,816	1,24,610	2,69,038	1,07,264	10,598	77,514	7,13,369	6,666	...	48,[illegible]

APPENDIX II-A.

[*Vide* paragraph 7 of the text.]

Demands, collections and balances from prospecting licenses in force in Government Estates during the year 1938-39.

[illegible]nerals (class or kind).	Number of licenses in force.	Total area covered.	Arrear demands.				Arrear collections.				Balance (columns 7—11).	Current demands.				Current collections.			
			Fee under rule 30 (ii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Royalty under rule 30 (iii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.	Fee under rule 30 (ii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Royalty under rule 30 (iii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.		Fee under rule 30 (ii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Royalty under rule 30 (iii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.	Fee under rule 30 (ii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Royalty under rule 30 (iii), Chapter IV, Waste Lands and Mineral Concessions Manual.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
[illegible]hite	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
[illegible]mite ...	2	160·80	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	161	...	...	161	161	...	...	161
[illegible]ganese ...	8	4,711·30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,183	920	...	2,103	1,183	920	...	2,103
[illegible]ganese and iron		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
[illegible]tal, 1938-39 ...	10	4,872·10	..	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	1,344	920	...	2,264	1,344	920	...	2,264
[illegible]tal, 1937-38 ...	5	3,532·16	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	933	...	949	16	933	...	949

APPENDIX II-B.

[*Vide* paragraph 7 of the text.]

Demands, collections and balances from leases for minerals in Government Estates during the year 1938-39.

Minerals (class or kind).	Number of leases in force.	Area covered.	Arrear demands.					Arrear collections.					Balance (columns 8—13).	Current demands.					Current collections.				
			Dead rent.	Surface rent.	Royalty.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.	Dead rent.	Surface rent.	Royalty.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.		Dead rent.	Surface rent.	Royalty.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.	Dead rent.	Surface rent.	Royalty.	Other receipts, if any.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	R[illegible]
Coal ...	13	41·64	...	...	103	8	111	...	...	103	8	111	...	..	...	741	12	753	...	...	654	9	66[illegible]
Mica and massive garnet.	87	18,917·82	801	...	...	32	833	801	...	...	9	810	(a)23	71,395	...	...	35	71,430	70,078	...	...	18	70,0[illegible]
Iron-ore ...	9	6,220·84	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33,256	694	92,737	189	1,26,876	33,256	694	92,737	189	1,26,87[illegible]
Chromite...	16	5,299·18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,395	164	662	195	5,416	3,950	161	662	195	4,96[illegible]
Lime and Lime stone.	10	899·20	...	136	19,165	...	19,300	...	61	10,774	...	10,835	8,466	867	286	84,438	16	85,607	687	240	84,438	16	85,39[illegible]
White clay	6	720·70	...	...	139	...	139	...	...	139	...	139	...	3,500	...	3,493	166	7,159	3,500	...	3,493	166	7,15[illegible]
Soapstone	5	618·08	...	...	145	...	145	...	...	145	...	145	...	424	...	45	14	483	424	...	(d) 44	14	48[illegible]
Iron-stone...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rubble stone and stone ballast.	5	40·03	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	200	...	545	3	748	200	...	545	3	74[illegible]
Gravel and ghooting	5	1·43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	127	...	127	...	...	127	...	12[illegible]
Stone ...	33	1,319·66	...	...	1,443	...	1,443	...	...	588	...	588	855	120	...	33,647	64	33,831	90	...	31,666	64	(f) 31,8[illegible]
Slate stone	3	139·30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	375	...	...	8	383	300	...	...	8	30[illegible]
Chhui ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gitty ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
China Clay	1	37·70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	150	2	152	...	...	150	2	15[illegible]
Iron-ore and manganese.	14	11,176·35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,597	84	34,805	95	45,581	10,597	84	34,805	95	45,58[illegible]
Manganese	6	1,781·24	...	...	46	...	46	...	...	46	...	46	...	1,638	69	374	144	2,225	1,638	69	374	144	2,2[illegible]
Clay for brick and tiles.	4	·05	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	...	21	...	...	21	...	2[illegible]
Laterite ...	1	4·85	...	...	25	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	50	...	50	...	...	25	...	2[illegible]
Pale Grey Clay.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Red Ochre	1	210·74	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yellow ochre	3	227·53	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	1	51	50	...	...	1	5[illegible]
Fireclay ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	205	...	35	6	246	205	...	35	6	24[illegible]
Miscellaneous.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,362	...	1,362	...	...	1,362	...	1,3[illegible]
Total, 1938-39...	224	48,216·34	801	136	21,066	40	22,063	801	61	11,795	17	12,674	9,369	1,27,022	1,297	2,53,132	970	3,82,601	1,24,975	1,257	2,51,118	930	3,78,3[illegible]
Total, 1937-38 ...	215	47,733·13	2,650	188	22,258	152	25,148	3,396	138	15,218	130	17,882	7,266	1,26,039	802	1,42,634	880	2,70,355	1,25,473	716	1,18,119	874	2,45,1[illegible]

(a) Remitted ... ... Rs. 23.
(b) " ... ... Rs. 48.
(c) Rs. 30 since realised.
(d) Includes advance payment of Rs. 19.
(e) " " " Rs. 976.
(f) Rs. 30 since realised.

APPENDIX III.

[*Vide* Paragraph 9 of the text.]

Land revenue and local cess remitted by special money orders during the year 1938-39.

Divisions and districts.		Amount.	Number of orders.	Divisions and districts.		Amount.	Number of orders.
1		2	3	1		2	3
		Rs.				Rs.	
Patna...	Patna ...	2,09,905	22,049	Chota Nagpur	Hazaribagh	14,294	613
	Gaya ...	1,56,003	16,667		Ranchi	...	...
	Shahabad	3,14,408	25,501		Palamau	12,231	1,278
					Manbhum	5,044	241
					Singhbhum	9,493	275
	Total ...	6,80,316	64,217		Total ...	41,062	2,407
Tirhut...	Saran ...	86,094	11,639	GRAND TOTAL.	1938-39	13,70,891	133,738
	Champaran	115,310	1,138		1937-38	13,02,738	132,076
	Muzaffarpur	1,68,630	22,776				
	Darbhanga	51,197	5,139				
	Total ...	3,21,231	40,692				
Bhagalpur.	Monghyr	1,57,827	16,872				
	Bhagalpur	71,869	5,478				
	Purnea ...	41,182	2,204				
	Santal Parganas.	57,404	1,868				
	Total ...	3,28,282	26,422				

APPENDIX IV.

[*Vide* paragraph 11 of the text.]

Proceedings under the Sale Laws during the year 1938-39.

Estates, shares or interests.	Nature of demand for which sold.	Total sales.				Purchased for Government.			Balance in favour of defaulters.	Balance not covered by sale.	Deposits forfeited (section 23).		Number regained by proprietors.	Exempted from sale (section 18).			Number of appeals [section 2, Bengal Act VII of 1868].	Sales annulled [section 2, Bengal Act VII of 1868].			Recommended for annulment [section 26, Act XI of 1859].		
		Number.	Government revenue.	Due for which sold.	Purchase money.	Number.	Government revenue.	Purchase money.			Number.	Amount forfeited.		Number.	Government revenue.	Amount due when exempted.		Number.	Government revenue.	Amount due when sold.	Number.	Government revenue.	Amount due when sold.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.			Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Whole estates.	Current and current arrear balances.	131	9,204	2,633 784*	64,645	8	543	8	60,917	311	12	558	...	6,274	7,75,788	3,33,792	34	6	486	36	7	113	67
	Other arrears ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Arrears of other estates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Attached estates ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Demands other than land revenue.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	131	9,204	2,633 784*	64,645	8	543	8	60,917	311	12	558	...	6,274	7,75,788	3,33,792	34	6	486	36	7	113	67
Shares separated under sections 10 and 11.	Current and current arrear balances.	135	10,238	4,059 821*	44,205	1	15	1	39,325	...	8	400	2	5,718	7,21,838	2,11,734	40	3	74	75	5	921	159
	Other arrears ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Arrears of other estates ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Attached estates ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Demands other than land revenue.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	135	10,238	4,059 821*	44,205	1	15	1	39,325	...	8	400	2	5,718	7,21,838	2,11,734	40	3	74	75	5	921	159
Rights and interests..	Arrears of other estates...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Demands other than land revenue.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Total.	1938-39 ...	266	19,412	6,692 1,605*	1,03,850	9	558	9	1,00,242	311	20	958	2	11,992	14,97,626	5,45,526	74	9	560	111	12	1,034	226
	1937-38 ...	295	23,529	13,771 923*	2,18,430	8	1,229	8	81,932	133	11	1,995	2	12,238	13,18,804	4,37,882	02	17	4,378	1,932 9*	6	1,675	220

APPENDIX V.

[*Vide* paragraph 11 of the text.]

DISTRICT DETAILS OF PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE SALE LAWS FOR THE YEAR 1938-39.

Sales, and sales annulled and estates exempted from sale.

Divisions and Districts.	Estates, shares or interests which became liable to sale.		Total sales.				Purchased for Government.			Exempted from sale (section 18).			Sales annulled (section 2, Bengal Act VII of 1868).		
	Number.	Government revenue.	Number.	Government revenue.	Due for which sold.	Purchase money.	Number.	Government revenue.	Purchase money.	Number.	Government revenue.	Amount due when exempted.	Number.	Government revenue.	Amount due when sold.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
PATNA DIVISION.		Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Patna	2,579	2,74,888	24	1,303 P. F.	378 805	19,920	2	111	2	2,555	2,73,585	77,624	6	496	98
Gaya	1,499	1,39,640	48	2,483	635	23,162	...	...	...	1,451	1,37,157	36,619	...	...	...
Shahabad	1,880	2,80,831	41	3,970	1,207	31,247	1	16	1	1,839	2,77,861	88,833	...	...	...
Total ...	5,958	6,95,359	113	6,756 P. F.	2,220 805	64,329	3	127	3	5,845	6,88,603	2,03,076	6	496	85
TIRHUT DIVISION.															
Saran	3,254	3,39,532	33	5,447 P. F.	2,125 146	7,426	1	335	1	3,221	3,34,085	84,874	...	...	...
Champaran	81	15,661	4	123	62	1,100	...	...	...	77	15,539	4,703	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	2,203	1,71,071	25	4,484 P. F.	1,022 182	13,144	...	...	...	2,178	1,66,587	71,390	1	5	1
Darbhanga	154	10,969	12	272 P. F.	83 60	6,010	...	...	...	142	10,697	2,591	...	...	...
Total ...	5,692	5,37,233	74	10,325 F. P.	3,292 388	27,770	1	335	1	5,618	5,26,908	1,63,147	1	5	1
BHAGALPUR DIVISION.															
Monghyr	857	1,07,050	33	773 P. F.	289 205	7,164	4	32	4	324	1,06,277	1,20,009	...	...	...
Bhagalpur	92	7,083	20	408 P. F.	143 77	3,186	...	...	...	72	6,675	1,274	2	59	12
Purnea	115	1,67,817	20	1,029 P. F.	365 99	2,580	1	64	1	95	1,66,788	57,653	...	...	...
Santal Parganas	14	566	3	93 P. F.	25 17	196	...	...	...	11	473	68	...	...	...
Total ...	578	2,82,516	76	2,303 P. F.	1,123 398	13,046	5	96	5	502	2,80,213	1,79,004	2	59	12
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.															
Hazaribagh	8	1,489	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	1,489	179	...	...	...
Ranchi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Palamau	22	471	3	58 P. F.	58 14	3,705	...	...	...	19	413	120	...	...	...
Manbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	30	1,960	3	58 P. F.	58 14	3,705	...	...	...	27	1,902	299	...	...	...
Grand Total 1938-39 ...	12,258	15,17,068	266	19,442	6,692 1,605	1,08,850	9	558	9	11,992	14,97,626	5.45,526	9	560	111
Grand Total 1937-38 ...	12,533	13,42,333	295	23,529	13,771 923*	2,18,430	8	1229	8	12,238	13,18,804	4,37,882	17	4,378	1,932 9*

APPENDIX VI.

[*Vide* paragraph 12 of the text.]

Statement showing the working of the Certificate Procedure in the Province of Bihar and Orissa during the year 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Of all kinds under Articles 1 and 2 of Schedule I of Bihar and Orissa Act IV of 1914: Number pending on 31st March 1937.	Number filed during the year.	Total.	Disposed of during the year.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending more than six months.	To realize arrears of rent due to Government, under Article 7, Schedule I of Bihar and Orissa Act IV of 1914: Number pending on 31st March 1937.	Number filed during the year.	Total.	Disposed of during the year.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending more than six months.	To realize arrears of rent due to private estates under the Tenancy Acts: Number pending on 31st March 1937.	Number filed during the year.	Total.	Disposed of during the year.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending more than six months.	To realize Court of Wards demands, under Article 8, Schedule I of Bihar and Orissa Act IV of 1914: Number pending on 31st March 1937.	Number filed during the year.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Patna Division.																					
Patna ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	684	2,683	3,367	2,243	1,124	26	...	33	33	30	3	...	22	63	85
Gaya ...	36	60	96	87	9	...	107	551	658	487	171	38	108	333	441	234	207	41	...	...	...
Shahabad ...	23	18	41	25	16	4	1,142	1,494	2,636	1,808	828	25	872	780	1,652	1,500	152	107	36	51	87
Total ...	59	78	137	113	25	4	1,933	4,728	6,661	4,538	2,123	89	980	1,146	2,126	1,764	362	148	58	114	172
Tirhut Division.																					
Saran ...	30	54	84	47	37	20	253	114	367	203	164	59	1,685	3,610	5,495	3,114	2,381	930	327	586	913
Champaran ...	...	15	15	6	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,253	543	1,796	1,598	198	21	475	2,072	3,547
Muzaffarpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	161	124	285	227	58	5	...	54	54	21	33	...	65	293	377
Darbhanga ...	...	20	20	7	13	4	14	39	53	53	...	...	103	161	264	141	123	123	4	...	4
Total ...	30	89	119	60	59	24	428	277	705	483	222	64	3,041	4,568	7,609	4,874	2,735	1,074	891	2,950	3,841
Bhagalpur Division.																					
Monghyr ...	2	12	14	9	5	4	53	1,107	1,160	297	863	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	508	504	1,012
Bhagalpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	91	438	529	391	138	24	55	39	94	47	47	47	63	39	122
Purnea ...	...	1	1	1	...	...	48	331	379	349	80	29	8	28	36	25	11	11	153	1,237	1,390
Santal Parganas	...	...	...	...	...	...	494	1,243	1,737	686	1,051	174	...	...	...	...	...	...	289	173	462
Total ...	2	13	15	10	5	4	686	3,119	3,805	1,723	2,082	317	63	67	130	72	58	58	1,033	1,953	2,986
Chota Nagpur Division.																					
Hazaribagh ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	74	218	292	217	75	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	651	679	1,330
Ranchi ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	57	615	673	486	186	20	15	166	181	176	5	5	254	1,247	1,501
Palamau ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	123	439	562	408	154	149	...	...	...	...	...	...	649	1,879	2,528
Manbhum ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	14	14	...	...	257	1,447	1,704
Singhbhum ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	160	289	449	198	251	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	112	112
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	414	1,561	1,975	1,309	666	193	15	180	195	190	5	5	1,811	5,364	7,175
Grand Total 1938-39 ...	91	180	271	163	89	32	3,461	9,685	13,146	8,053	5,093	663	4,099	5,961	10,060	6,900	3,160	1,285	3,793	10,361	14,174
Grand Total 1937-38 ...	54	230	284	193	91	6	3,228	9,234	12,462	9,001	3,461	778	3,044	12,492	15,536	13,057	4,099	836	6,771	11,261	18,032

Divisions and Districts.	Court of Wards demands (contd.): Disposed of during the year.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending more than six months.	All other certificates made under Schedule I of Bihar and Orissa Act IV of 1914: Number pending on 31st March 1937.	Number filed during the year.	Total.	Disposed of during the year.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending more than six months.	Total: Number pending on 31st March 1937.	Number filed during the year.	Total.	Disposed of during the year.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending more than six months.	Remarks.
1	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
Patna Division.																
Patna ...	77	8	...	458	5,038	5,496	4,843	653	58	1,164	7,817	8,981	7,193	1,788	84	
Gaya ...	...	...	...	647	4,806	5,453	4,795	658	93	898	5,750	6,648	5,603	1,045	172	
Shahabad ...	57	30	30	483	13,984	14,467	14,024	443	187	2,556	16,327	18,883	17,414	1,469	353	
Total ...	134	38	30	1,588	23,828	25,416	23,662	1,754	338	4,618	29,894	34,512	30,210	4,302	609	
Tirhut Division.																
Saran ...	423	490	70	1,794	3,082	4,876	2,964	1,912	693	4,089	7,646	11,735	6,751	4,984	1,772	
Champaran ...	1,084	1,463	278	143	479	622	495	127	82	1,871	3,109	4,980	3,183	1,797	381	
Muzaffarpur ...	307	70	...	1,140	5,245	6,385	3,076	3,309	124	1,386	5,715	7,101	3,631	3,470	129	
Darbhanga ...	1	3	3	1,062	1,816	2,878	2,275	603	104	1,183	2,036	3,219	2,477	742	234	
Total ...	1,815	2,026	351	4,139	10,622	14,761	8,810	5,951	1,003	8,529	18,506	27,035	16,042	10,993	2,516	
Bhagalpur Division.																
Monghyr ...	550	463	463	770	1,629	2,399	1,257	1,142	397	1,333	3,252	4,585	2,113	2,472	953	
Bhagalpur ...	118	4	2	500	811	1,311	830	481	243	729	1,327	2,056	1,386	670	316	
Purnea ...	941	449	406	217	569	786	559	227	156	426	2,166	2,592	1,875	717	602	
Santal Parganas	102	360	303	572	409	981	488	493	373	1,355	1,825	3,180	1,276	1,904	850	
Total ...	1,711	1,276	1,173	2,059	3,418	5,477	3,134	2,343	1,169	3,843	8,570	12,413	6,650	5,763	3,721	
Chota Nagpur Division.																
Hazaribagh ...	921	409	157	166	579	745	404	341	155	891	1,476	2,367	1,542	825	246	
Ranchi ...	781	720	16	152	279	431	276	155	20	478	2,307	2,785	1,719	1,066	61	
Palamau ...	1,120	1,408	1,129	136	221	357	244	113	21	908	2,539	3,447	1,772	1,675	1,299	
Manbhum ...	1,440	264	113	39	120	159	129	30	12	296	1,567	1,863	1,569	294	125	
Singhbhum ...	...	112	...	87	196	283	129	154	72	247	597	844	327	517	92	
Total ...	4,262	2,913	1,395	580	1,595	1,975	1,182	793	280	2,820	8,486	11,306	6,929	4,377	1,673	
Grand Total 1938-39 ...	7,922	6,252	2,949	8,366	39,263	47,629	36,788	10,841	2,790	19,810	65,456	85,266	59,831	25,435	7,710	
Grand Total 1937-38 ...	14,299	3,793	1,410	13,706	26,050	39,843	30,480	8,366	1,656	26,893	59,267	86,160	66,350	19,810	4,671	

APPENDIX VII.

[*Vide* paragraph 14(*ii*) of the text.]

Statement showing mutations in tenants' rights for the year ending the 31st March 1939.

Division and district.	Estate.	Total area of the estates, in acres.	Total number of tenancies.	Number of mutations registered. Sale. Whole.	Sale. Part.	Succession. Whole.	Succession. Part.	Partition. Whole.	Partition. Part.	Gift. Whole.	Gift. Part.	Total. Whole.	Total. Part.	Percentage of tenancies transferred to total number of tenancies, Column 9(a)+9(b) on column 4.	Total area transferred, in acres.	Average price per acre of the land sold.
1	2	3	4	5 (a)	5 (b)	6 (a)	6 (b)	7 (a)	7 (b)	8 (a)	8 (b)	9 (a)	9 (b)	10	11	12
Patna Division.																Rs.
Patna	58	67433·72	15,901	130	100	283	112	4	15	2	4	410	231	4·08	813·54	76
Gaya	33	72214·88	5,941	28	150	169	...	...	35	3	...	200	185	6·48	1486·84	193
Shahabad ...	76	102509·01	18,351	94	132	1,030	188	50	8	10	7	1,184	335	8·27	983·58	460
Total ...	165	242157·59	40,193	252	382	1,482	300	54	58	15	11	1,603	751	6·35	3283·96	243
Tirhut Division.																
Saran ...	34	10809·05	3,188	2	1	6	...	...	...	1	...	9	1	·31	3·68	358
Champaran ...	3	198·54	139	...	..	17	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	12·23	22·10	...
Muzaffarpur ...	29	7993·42	1,406	20	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	34	...	2·41	65	47
Darbhanga ...	4	1702·43	748	6	17	36	3	...	...	...	...	42	20	8·28	11·77	212
Total ...	61	20703·44	5,481	28	18	73	3	...	...	1	...	102	21	2·24	122·64	205
Bhagalpur Division.																
Monghyr ...	36	67,806	13,380	66	43	22	2	1	...	1	...	90	45	1·009	318·00	71
Bhagalpur ...	13	27,395	4,640	25	17	64	1	4	2	2	...	95	30	2·47	243·53	23
Purnea ...	3	8,892	2,480	41	38	1	...	2	...	...	...	44	38	3·30	161	73
Santal Parganas ...	17	3,819	4,373	67	93	9	...	2	...	4	...	72	93	3·76	39	752
Total ...	69	107,912	24,878	189	191	96	3	9	2	7	...	301	196	1·99	701·53	230
Chota Nagpur Division.																
Hazaribagh ...	4	99396·02	9,623	25	7	196	365	...	...	4	...	225	373	6·20	1055·07	233
Ranchi ...	9	85317·99	11,260	75	62	62	4	2	...	2	...	141	66	1·83	556·98	300
Palamau ...	1	230087·12	16,183	47	23	800	74	16	55	2	1	865	153	6·20	905·99	52
Singhbhum ...	4	1451353·63	95,948	26	31	41	1	...	...	...	1	67	33	·01	158·74	4,492
Total ...	18	1857054·76	133,013	173	123	1,099	444	18	55	8	2	1,298	624	1·44	2676·78	1,269
Grand Total 1938-39	313	2227827·79	203,565	643	714	2,750	750	81	115	31	13	3,504	1,593	2·51	7744·01	486·75
Grand Total 1937-38	314	2232072·3	202,587	563	660	2,299	716	49	74	45	11	2,956	1,461	2·18	8473·08	461·71

APPENDIX VIII.

[*Vide* paragraph 14(*iii*) of the text.]

Statement showing the result of inspection of rent-rolls in Government Estates for the year ending the 31st March 1939.

Division and district.	Estate.	Total number of villages in the estate.	Total number of tenants.	Checked by Tahsildars and other Subordinate Agency. Number of villages.	Number of tenants.	Percentage of tenants checked to total.	Number of unreported mutations detected.	Checked by Managers and other Superior Agency. Number of villages.	Number of tenants.	Percentage of tenants checked to total.	Number of unreported mutations detected.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Patna Division.												
Patna	58	108	15,901	108	15,901	100	...	61	1,364	8·57	...	
Gaya	32	147	5,941	147	5,815	97·96	322	130	1,484	25·00	...	
Shahabad ...	75	283	18,351	282	18,351	100	214	148	3,894	21·23	206	
Total ...	165	538	40,193	537	40,067	99·68	536	339	6,742	16·77	206	
Tirhut Division.												
Saran	34	52	3,188	52	2,998	94·4	...	52	3,188	100	...	
Champaran ...	3	3	139	3	139	100	6	3	139	100	...	
Muzaffarpur ...	20	22	1,406	22	1,406	100	...	11	171	12·16	...	
Darbhanga ...	4	5	748	3	748	100	...	3	748	100	...	
Total ...	61	82	5,481	80	5,291	96·53	6	69	4,246	77·46	...	
Bhagalpur Division.												
Monghyr ...	36	93	13,380	29	5,740	42·89	52	14	2,000	14·43	22	
Bhagalpur ...	13	54	4,640	52	4,263	94·00	13	40	806	17·37	3	
Purnea	3	60	2,286	...	...	...	...	7	1,737	6·27	...	
Santal Parganas ...	17	41	4,378	33	3,688	84·23	15	24	918	20·90	11	
Total ...	69	248	24,684	113	13,690	55·46	80	94	6,061	24·55	36	
Chota Nagpur Division.												
Hazaribagh ...	4	377	9,623	252	9,201	95·61	...	192	4,604	47·84	...	
Ranchi	9	106	11,260	106	11,260	100	...	66	3,145	27·93	...	
Palamau ...	1	380	16,182	380	16,183	100	799	179	4,041	24·37	140	
Singhbhum ...	4	1,278	95,948	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	18	2,011	133,013	738	36,643	27·54	799	437	11,790	8·86	140	
Grand Total 1938-39 ...	313	2,909	203,371	1,468	96,691	46·99	1,421	939	28,839	14·17	363	
Grand Total 1937-38 ...	314	2,912	202,159	1,477	94,658	46·82	1,767	834	27,679	13·69	174	

APPENDIX IX.

[*Vide* paragraph 14(v) of the text.]

Statement showing the cost of management and improvement of Government estates held direct by Government for the year 1938-39.

Division.	District.	Management.	Miscellaneous improvements including agricultural improvements and experiments.	Sanitary improvements.	Total.	Percentage of cost of management.	Grant sanctioned by the Board for works of improvement for 1938-39.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	BIHAR.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Patna	Patna	17,094	1,938	737	19,769	10·38	3,100
	Gaya	10,120	13,109	304	33,533	8·38	13,650
	Shahabad	14,544	19,319	1,420	35,283	7·87	22,925
	Total ...	41,758	34,366	2,461	78,585	8·87	39,675
Tirhut	Saran	2,344	40	82	2,466	10·05	740
	Champaran	20	...	...	20	4·32	...
	Muzaffarpur	511	...	...	511	6·47	...
	Darbhanga	599	42	..	641	14·46	70
	Total ...	3,474	82	82	3,638	9·70	810
Bhagalpur	Monghyr	24,232	1,870	78	26,180	18·78	3,000
	Bhagalpur	9,480	650	...	10,130	21·10	650
	Purnea	3,934	1,000	...	4,934	21·18	1,000
	Santal Parganas	51,006	43,291	639	95,936	14·62	37,696
	Total ...	89,552	46,811	717	1,37,080	16·36	42,433
	CHOTA NAGPUR.						
Chota Nagpur	Hazaribagh	7,196	2,169	749	10,114	12·87	2,955
	Ranchi	6,156	3,636	...	9,792	12·89	4,000
	Palamau	21,687	7,898	755	30,340	23·09	8,653
	Singhbhum	12,467	21,500	...	33,967	5·27	21,500
	Total ...	47,506	35,203	1,504	84,213	10·94	37,108
	Grand Total ... 1938-39	1,82,290	1,16,462	4,764	3,03,516	12·24	1,20,020
	Grand Total ... 1937-38	1,60,672	82,909	4,330	2,67,911	11·23	97,555

APPENDIX X.

[*Vide* paragraph 15 of the text.]

Sale of proprietary rights in Government Estates.

Division.	District.	Sold in 1938-39.				Total sold to the end of 1938-39.			
		Number of estates.	Area in acres.	Government demand with which sold.	Price realised.	Number of estates.	Area in acres.	Government demand with which sold.	Price realised.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
				Rs. a.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.
	Whole Estate.								
BHAGALPUR ...	Bhagalpur ...	3*	57·33	110 0	224	2	37·05	7	420
	Relinquished Railway lands.								
TIRHUT ...	Champaran ...	...	37·41	...	4,500	...	84·22	...	8,614
	Darbhanga	...	9·60	...	770	...	99·62	...	13,793
BHAGALPUR ..	Santal Parganas ...	...	79·07	...	8,331	...	408·953	...	36,022
	Bhagalpur ...	...	45·70	...	4,652	...	1199·07	...	67,998

*Represent shares of Government in estates Puraini, Jagir Abdulla beg, and Jagir Jhonti Singh in Bhagalpur.

APPENDIX XII.

[*Vide* paragraph 16 of the text.]

Statement showing the amount of Land Revenue assigned or alienated by Government in temporarily-settled and Government estates up to and including the year 1938-39.

Districts.	Total value of grants.											
	Additions during the year.				Reductions during the year.				Total at the close of the year.			
	For the maintenance of public servants.		For other purposes.		For the maintenance of public servants.		For other purposes.		For the maintenance of public servants.		For other purposes.	
	Area.	Land Revenue.	Area.	Land Revenue.	Area.	Land Revenue.	Area.	Land Revenue.	Area.	Land Revenue.	Area.	Land Revenue.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.

APPENDIX XIII.

[*Vide* paragraph 17 of the text.]

Disposal of Partition Cases, 1938-39.

Division.	District.	Pending at the close of the previous year.	Instituted during the year.	Total.	Disposed of during the year.	Pending at the close of the year. Total.	Over three years.	Over six years.	Over nine years.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Patna ...	Patna	63	15	78	22	56	5	...	...
	Gaya	101	28	129	35	94	23	...	...
	Shahabad	35	37	72	12	60	...	...	...
	Total 1938-39 ...	199	80	279	69	210	28	...	...
	Total 1937-38 ...	201	64	265	66	199	12	1	1
Tirhut ...	Saran	68	12	80	19	61	24	6	3
	Champaran ...	10	...	10	1	9	4	1	1
	Muzaffarpur ...	88	25	113	31	82	3	12	8
	Darbhanga ...	35	6	41	6	35	14	3	4
	Total 1938-39 ...	201	43	244	57	187	75	22	16
	Total 1937-38 ...	190	45	235	34	201	46	20	19
Bhagalpur ...	Monghyr	59	10	69	9	60	14	11	14
	Bhagalpur	22	1	23	11	12	6	2	...
	Purnea	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
	Santal Parganas ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total 1938-39 ...	82	11	93	20	73	20	13	14
	Total 1937-38 ...	85	18	103	21	82	33	7	12
Chota Nagpur ...	Hazaribagh ...	2	...	2	...	2	2	...	...
	Ranchi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Palamau	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	...
	Manbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Singhbhum ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total 1938-39 ...	3	...	3	...	3	2	1	...
	Total 1937-38 ...	4	...	4	1	3	2	1	...
	GRAND TOTAL 1938-39	485	134	619	146	473	125	36	30
	GRAND TOTAL 1937-38	480	137	607	122	485	93	29	32

APPENDIX XIV.

[*Vide* paragraph 18 of the text.]

District details of separate accounts under Act XI of 1859 *and Bengal Act VII of* 1876 *and of registration of tenures under Act XI of* 1859.

Divisions and Districts.	Undivided shares. Separate accounts opened. (Section 10, Act XI of 1859.) This year. Number.	Undivided shares. Separate accounts opened. This year. Government revenue of the new accounts.	Undivided shares. Closed. This year. Number.	Undivided shares. Closed. This year. Government revenue of the closed accounts.	Undivided shares. Remaining open. Altogether to the close of the year. Number.	Undivided shares. Remaining open. Altogether to the close of the year. Government revenue of the accounts.	Undivided shares. Applications remaining for disposal.	Special shares. Separate accounts opened. (Section 11, Act XI of 1859). This year. Number.	Special shares. Separate accounts opened. This year. Government revenue of the new accounts.	Special shares. Closed. This year. Number.	Special shares. Closed. This year. Government revenue of the closed accounts.	Special shares. Remaining open. Altogether to the close of the year. Number.	Special shares. Remaining open. Altogether to the close of the year. Government revenue of the accounts.	Special shares. Applications remaining for disposal.	Complex shares. Separate accounts opened (Section 70, Bengal Act VII of 1876). This year. Number.	Complex shares. Separate accounts opened. This year. Government revenue of the new accounts.	Complex shares. Closed. This year. Number.	Complex shares. Closed. This year. Government revenue of the closed accounts.	Complex shares. Remaining open. Altogether to the close of the year. Number.	Complex shares. Remaining open. Altogether to the close of the year. Government revenue of the accounts.	Complex shares. Applications remaining for disposal.	Registered during the year. Tenures, etc., protected by common registration against any auction-purchaser except Government (section 41, Act XI of 1859).	Registered during the year. Tenures, etc., protected by special registration against any auction-purchaser including Government (section 42, Act XI of 1859).	Registered to the end of the year. Tenures, etc., protected by common registration against any auction-purchaser except Government (section 41, Act XI of 1859).	Registered to the end of the year. Tenures, etc., protected by special registration against any auction-purchaser including Government (section 42, Act XI of 1859).
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Patna Division.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.			Rs.				Rs.			Rs.		Rs.		Rs.					
Patna	208	5,647	55	6,801	14,992	5,56,453	76	2	26	...		347	29,547	4	21	3,510	53	2,000	2,397	1,17,089	17	...	...	32	21
Gaya	131	2,342	17	222	13,482	4,71,729	44	3	141	...		515	2,25,016	2	72	2,504	4	244	5,245	1,87,415	33	...	...	14	12
Shahabad	104	4,073	13	874	8,347	4,17,981	73	6	688	...		416	1,35,470	...	48	1,290	10	357	3,545	2,53,969	34	1	...	63	6
Total ...	443	12,062	85	7,897	36,821	14,46,163	193	11	855	...		1,278	3,90,033	6	141	7,304	67	2,601	11,187	5,58,473	83	1	...	235	39
Tirhut Division.																									
Saran	22	717	...	...	6,101	2,96,087	3	1	533	...		309	33,014	...	38	915	60	5,747	3,961	90,365	9	...	...	17	4
Champaran	14	1,024	1	69	579	29,325	3	...	...	...		9	303	...	...	...	...	...	53	4,191	...	...	...	1	3
Muzaffarpur	89	2,341	10	531	7,533	1,98,642	50	8	84	5		559	12,370	10	40	1,598	10	795	2,792	62,392	23	...	...	19	28
Darbhanga	119	1,732	47	1,556	5,606	1,18,534	49	...	...	...		98	6,018	...	26	1,156	10	398	914	31,408	26	...	...	11	7
Total ...	244	5,814	58	2,156	19,819	6,42,588	105	9	617	5		975	51,705	10	104	3,669	80	6,940	7,720	1,88,356	58	...	...	48	42
Bhagalpur Division.																									
Monghyr	140	2,366	60	2,482	8,361	3,02,120	56	10	6	...		701	6,505	...	25	1,358	10	1,940	637	34,932	18	...	...	41	4
Bhagalpur	13	399	...	...	2,925	1,10,728	10	...	...	...		92	10,270	...	21	421	...	...	1,050	58,396	5	...	...	19	75
Purnea	7	92	6	582	1,378	5,34,068	5	...	...	...		23	2,441	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	3	68	5
Santal Parganas	2	93	...	...	159	15,417	...	...	...	...		36	1,240	1	2	2	...	...	21	1,322	1	...	...	...	...
Total ...	162	2,950	66	3,064	12,823	9,62,333	71	10	8	...		852	20,456	1	48	1,781	10	1,940	1,709	94,652	24	...	3	128	84
Chota Nagpur Division.																									
Hazaribagh	...	...	...	...	54	1,211	...	4	39	...		141	4,559	2	...	...	...	...	184	3,438	...	...	...	...	...
Ranchi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Palamau	1	5	...	...	199	1,555	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	29	82	4	40	520	6,658	10	...	...	1	1
Manbhum	...	...	...	...	2	80	...	...	...	...		1	239	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1	5	...	...	255	2,846	...	4	39	...		142	4,798	2	29	82	4	40	704	9,096	10	...	...	1	1
Grand Total { 1938-39	850	20,831	209	13,117	69,718	30,53,930	369	34	1,519	5		3,247	4,66,992	19	322	12,836	161	11,521	21,320	8,50,577	175	1	3	412	166
Grand Total { 1937-38	935	27,118	243	11,777	69,077	30,46,215	483	29	76,985	21		3,218	4,65,728	24	350	23,695	147	9,367	21,159	8,49,262	212	2	1	411	163

APPENDIX XV.

[*Vide* paragraph 19 of the text.]

Intermediate registrations under Bengal Act VII of 1876 *for the year* 1938-39.

District.	Total number of interests registered at the beginning of the year.	Applications— Pending from last year.	Made during the year.	Granted during the year.	Percentage of applications granted during the year on column 2.	Number of old interests removed.	Number of new interests entered.	Total number of interests at the close of the year.	Total number of applications for disposal.	Total number of cases disposed of during the year.	Out of the number of cases in column 11 the number of— Contested cases.	Uncontested cases.	Applications pending— More than six months.	Less than six months.	Total.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Patna	120,510	1,378	4,585	5,734	3·99	5,932	6,385	120,963	5,963	4,609	391	4,218	...	1,354	1,354	
Gaya	100,666	954	2,633	2,527	3·41	2,810	3,350	101,206	3,587	2,679	253	2,426	...	908	908	
Shahabad	84,741	1,094	2,618	2,371	2·79	3,033	3,413	85,121	3,712	2,586	180	2,406	34	1,092	1,126	
Total ...	305,917	3,426	9,836	10,632	3·47	11,775	13,148	307,290	13,262	9,874	824	9,050	34	3,354	3,388	
Saran	90,660	629	2,236	2,040	2·25	2,330	2,544	90,874	2,865	2,213	246	1,967	...	652	652	
Champaran ...	7,359	124	334	359	4·88	289	312	7,382	458	398	22	376	...	60	60	
Muzaffarpur ...	130,901	1,196	4,912	4,424	3·38	5,579	6,261	131,583	6,108	4,943	538	4,405	...	1,165	1,165	
Darbhanga	121,299	706	3,876	3,723	3·06	3,347	4,020	121,972	4,582	3,910	329	3,581	...	672	672	
Total ...	350,219	2,655	11,358	10,546	3·01	11,545	13,137	3,51,811	14,013	11,464	1,135	10,329	...	2,549	2,549	
Monghyr	78,900	624	2,459	2,225	2·82	2,532	2,535	78,903	3,083	2,444	214	2,230	1	638	639	
Bhagalpur	31,398	762	1,242	1,328	4·20	1,178	1,331	31,551	2,004	1,552	42	1,510	38	414	452	
Purnea	13,499	121	684	568	4·20	568	745	13,676	805	589	13	576	3	213	216	
[illegible] ...	2,629	95	171	197	7·49	196	225	2,658	266	203	1	202	1	62	63	
[illegible]	[illegible]	1,602	4,556	4,318	3·40	4,474	4,836	126,788	6,158	4,788	270	4,518	43	1,327	1,370	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4,220	160	123	11	112	4	33	37	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	708	16,689	772	568	48	520	2	202	204	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	10	8	341	19	13	1	12	...	6	6	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	609	29·8	727	950	21,272	951	704	60	644	6	241	247	
GRAND TOTAL 1938-39	8,03,611	7,898	26,486	26,105	3·24	28,521	32,071	807,161	34,384	26,830	2,289	24,541	83	7,471	7,554	
GRAND TOTAL 1937-38	800,102	7,677	31,246	29,701	3·71	33,572	37,081	803,611	38,923	31,025	2,623	28,402	126	7,772	7,898	

APPENDIX XVI.

[*Vide* paragraph 20 of the text.]

Lands taken up permanently for a public purpose and compensation paid for them, 1938-39.

Names of divisions and districts.	For Government purposes.			For other purposes.		
	Area acquired.	Amount paid.	Average cost per acre.	Area acquired.	Amount paid.	Average cost per acre.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Acres and decimals.	Rs.	Rs.	Acres and decimals.	Rs.	Rs.
BIHAR.						
Patna Division.						
Patna	3·80	16,868	433	1·13	3,522	310
Gaya	7·86	4,399	559	44·67	19,082	426
Shahabad	...	...	...	1·23	903	1,418
Total ...	11·75	21,267	1,810	47·03	33,507	500
Tirhut Division.						
Saran	8·04	8,056	1,001	9·14	12,827	1,403
Champaran	10·73	4,570	425	9·30	3,942	424
Muzaffarpur	2·70	30,184	11,175	12·17	37,649	3,094
Darbhanga	0·25	1,840	7,361	5·03	6,515	1,294
Total ...	21·72	44,650	2,055	35·64	60,933	1,709
Bhagalpur Division.						
Monghyr	71·43	32,875	460	10·93	15,580	1,426
Bhagalpur	...	...	...	7·22	7,090	1,107
Purnea	6·27	1,181	188	1·76	977	557
Santal Parganas	12·99	2,315	178	5·49	4,257	775
Total ...	90·69	36,371	401	25·40	28,804	1,134
CHOTA NAGPUR.						
Chota Nagur Division.						
Hazaribagh	4·62	121	26	0·02	751	41,722
Ranchi	20·91	2,571	123	5·07	1,563	308
Palamau	0·03	6	200	...	...	...
Manbhum	1·28	806	628	14·37	6,973	485
Singhbhum	...	...	...	0·02	19	905
Total ...	26·84	3,504	131	19·49	9,306	477
GRAND TOTAL ...	151·00	1,05,792	701	127·55	1,22,550	961

APPENDIX XVII.

[*Vide* paragraph 21 of the text.]

Statement showing settlements effected during the year 1938-39

Division.	District.	Original Settlement.		Resettlements.				Summary Settlements.				Settlements for disposal.	
		No.	Net revenue.	No.	Net revenue.	Increase.	Decrease.	No.	Net revenue.	Increase.	Decrease.	No.	Estimated revenue.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Patna ...	Patna	5	8,185	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...
	Gaya	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Shahabad	...	...	1	160	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	Total ...	5	8,185	1	160	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tirhut ...	Saran	...	...	17	20,483	4,190	1,335	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Champaran	...	...	2	997	...	252	...	...	...	..	14	5,558
	Muzaffarpur	...	...	10	5,020	949	1,959	1	1,888	...	...	3	500
	Darbhanga	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2,403	838	...	3	2,059
...	Total ...	...	...	29	26,500	5,139	3,546	4	4,291	838	...	20	8,117
Bhagalpur ...	Monghyr	...	...	7	3,576	202	1,342	2	3,906	...	299	42	60,000
	Bhagalpur	2	201	7	576	135	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Purnea	...	...	3	93	...	20	...	...	...	...	5	135
	Santal Parganas	...	...	2	1,288	441	...	1	21	...	...	1	117
	Total ...	2	201	19	5,533	778	1,362	3	3,927	...	299	48	60,252
Grand Total ...	1938-39	7	8,386	49	32,193	5,947	4,908	7	8,218	838	299	68	68,169
	1937-38	5	7,925	38	18,136	1,470	1,075	22	19,730-12-0	99	633	53	1,06,344

APPENDIX XVIII.

[*Vide* paragraph 21 of the text.]

Statement showing progress made in smaller settlements under the Bihar Tenancy Act under the supervision of the Commissioners of Divisions during the year 1938-39.

Division.	District.	Estimated area in acres under settlement of revenue or rents.	Total number of villages.	Area surveyed in acres. Up to the end of the preceding year.	Area surveyed in acres. During the year under report.	Area surveyed in acres. Total area surveyed.	Number of villages in which records have been prepared for attestation. Up to the end of the preceding year.	Number of villages in which records have been prepared for attestation. During the year under report.	Number of villages in which attestation has been completed. Up to the end of the preceding year.	Number of villages in which attestation has been completed. During the year under report.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Patna ...	Shahabad ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tirhut ...	Saran ...	4,880·44	1	4,880·44	...	4,880·44	1	...	1	...
	Muzaffarpur ...	3,740·00	4	3,903	...	3,903	...	...	...	...
	Darbhanga ...	425·41	1	...	127·06	127·06	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur ...	Monghyr ...	42,316	6	41,881	435	42,316	...	...	...	...

District.	Number of villages in which the record-of-rights has been draft-published. Up to the end of the preceding year.	Draft-published. During the year under report.	Number of villages in which the record-of-rights has been finally published. Up to the end of the preceding year.	Finally published. During the year under report.	Estimated number of tenants in the villages in col. 4.	Number of tenants whose rents have been recorded and status determined in khatians published under the Tenancy Acts. Up to the end of the preceding year.	Tenants. During the year under report.	Tenants. Total.	Cost during the year. Survey.	Cost during the year. Settlement.	Cost during the year. Total.	Remarks.
2	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
									Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Shahabad	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Saran	1	...	...	1	3,269	2,912	...	2,912	...	1,186 -4·0	1,186	
Muzaffarpur	...	...	...	...	41 500	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Darbhanga	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	...	32	
Monghyr	...	...	4	2	7,587	109	188	297	1,400	1,034	2,434	

APPENDIX XIX.

[*Vide* paragraph 25 of the text.]

Account of advances under the Land Improvement Loans Act XIX of 1883 for the year 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Principal. Outstanding at the commencement of the year.	Advanced during the year.	Total advanced.	Amount due for collection within the year (including arrears).	Remitted during the year.	Collected during the year.	Total remitted and collected.	Balance outstanding at the end of the year.	Amount suspended by competent authority.	Amount overdue.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
BIHAR.										
Patna Division.										
Patna	5,800	...	5,800	400	...	300	300	5,500	...	100
Gaya	3,101	1,629	4,730	758	...	687	687	4,043	...	71
Shahabad	...	500	500	...	...	...	...	500	...	...
Total ...	8,901	2,129	11,030	1,158	...	987	987	10,043	...	171
Tirhut Division.										
Saran	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champaran	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur Division.										
Monghyr	2,733	1,700	4,433	1,958	...	1,276	1,276	3,175	...	682
Bhagalpur	3,271	1,000	4,271	1,152	...	454	454	3,817	...	698
Purnea	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Santal Parganas	22,458	300	22,758	20,220	...	4,082	4,082	18,676	...	16,138
Total ...	28,462	3,000	31,462	23,330	...	5,812	5,812	25,650	...	17,518
CHOTA NAGPUR.										
Chota Nagpur Division.										
Hazaribagh	866*	2,700	3,566	427	...	(a)322	(a)323	3,244	...	117
Ranchi	5,671	1,475	7,146	2,414	...	(b)1,160	(b)1,160	5,986	...	1,562
Palamau	10,176	4,000	14,176	3,203	...	2,097	2,097	12,079	...	1,106
Manbhum	14,445	15,998	30,443	4,554	...	(c)4,160	(c)4,160	26,283	...	706
Singhbhum	3,150	2,990	6,140	2,993	...	423	423	5,717	...	2,570
Total ...	34,308*	27,163	61,471	13,591	...	(e)8,162	(e)8,162	53,309	...	6,061
Grand Total 1938-39...	71,671	32,292	1,03,963	38,079	...	$14,961	$14,961	89,002	...	23,750
Grand Total 1937-38...	76,151	13,150	89,301	38,179	...	17,593	17,593	71,708	...	21,271

*Revised figures.
$Includes advance collection of principal of Rs. 632 and of interest of Rs. 97.

Divisions and Districts.	Interest. Arrears of interest suspended and overdue at commencement of the year.	Interest falling due within the year.	Total interest for collection within the year.	Remitted during the year.	Collected during the year.	Total remitted and collected.	Suspended by competent authority.	Arrears of interest overdue at the end of the year.	Principal and Interest. Remitted during the year.	Collected during the year.	Under suspension at the end of the year.	Overdue at the end of the year.	Remarks.
1	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
BIHAR.													
Patna Division.													
Patna	...	55	53	...	43	43	...	12	...	343	...	112	
Gaya	59	167	226	...	188	188	...	38	...	875	...	109	
Shahabad	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total	59	222	281	...	231	231	...	50	...	1,218	...	221	
Tirhut Division.													
Saran	58	...	58	...	...	...	...	58	...	...	...	58	
Champaran	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Muzaffarpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Darbhanga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total	58	...	58	...	...	...	...	58	...	...	...	58	
Bhagalpur Division.													
Monghyr	382	334	716	32	176	208	...	508	32	1,452	...	1,190	
Bhagalpur	229	209	438	...	165	165	...	273	...	619	...	971	
Purnea	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Santal Parganas	2,085	809	2,894	...	936	936	...	1,958	...	5,018	...	18,096	
Total	2,696	1,352	4,048	32	1,277	1,309	...	2,739	32	7,089	...	20,257	
CHOTA NAGPUR.													
Chota Nagpur Division.													
Hazaribagh	31	87	118	10	(a)81	91	...	28	10	403	...	145	(a) Includes advance collection of principal of Rs. 12 and of interest of Re. 1.
Ranchi	418	350	768	...	304	304	...	464	...	1,464	...	2,026	(b) Includes advance collection of principal of Rs. 308.
Palamau	191	583	774	...	472	472	...	302	...	2,569	...	1,408	
Manbhum	36	752	788	...	(c)844	(c)844	...	40	...	5,001	...	746	(c) Includes advance collection of principal of Rs. 312 and of interest of Rs. 96.
Singhbhum	114	176	290	...	43	43	...	247	...	466	...	2,817	
Total	790	1,948	2,738	10	(e)1,744	(e)1,754	...	1,081	10	9,906	...	7,143	(e) Includes advance collection of principal of Rs. 632 and of interest of Rs. 97.
Grand Total 1938-39	3,603	3,522	7,125	42	$ 3,252	§ 3,294	...	3,928	42	18,213	...	27,678	
Grand Total 1937-38	2,842	4,363	7,205	...	3,741	3,741	...	3,603	...	21,334	...	24,874	

APPENDIX XX.

[*Vide* paragraph 26 of the text.]

Account of advances under the Agriculturists Loans Act, XII of 1884, for the year 1938-39.

Divisions and Districts.	Principal.										Interest.								Principal and Interest.				Remarks.
	Outstanding at the commencement of the year.	Advanced during the year.	Total advanced.	Amount due for collection within the year (including arrears).	Remitted during the year.	Collected during the year.	Total remitted and collected.	Balance outstanding at the end of the year.	Amount suspended by competent authority.	Amount overdue.	Arrears of interest suspended and overdue at commencement of the year.	Interest falling due within the year.	Total interest for collection within the year.	Remitted during the year.	Collected during the year.	Total remitted and collected.	Suspended by competent authority.	Arrears of interest overdue at the end of the year.	Remitted during the year.	Collected during the year.	Under suspension at the end of the year.	Overdue at the end of the year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs:	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
BIHAR.																							
Patna Division.																							
Patna	15,269	...	15,269	15,269	79	13,563	13,642	1,627	...	1,627	152	1,465	1,617	18	1,171	1,189	...	428	97	14,734	...	2,055	
Gaya	*3,690	1,855	5,545	3,710	197	2,629	2,826	2,719	...	884	255	100	355	...	286	286	...	69	197	2,915	...	953	
Shahabad	16,724	350	17,074	16,411	...	9,416	9,416	7,658	...	6,995	495	308	803	...	433	433	...	370	...	9,849	...	7,365	
Total ...	35,683	2,205	37,888	35,390	276	25,608	25,884	12,004	...	9,506	902	1,873	2,775	18	1,890	1,908	...	867	294	27,498	...	10,373	
Tirhut Division.																							
Saran	1,42,808	3,16,119	4,58,937	1,10,858	...	26,341	26,341	4,32,586	...	84,517	6,292	7,193	13,485	...	3,556	3,556	...	9,929	...	20,897	...	94,446	(a) Include advance payments of principal of Rs. 6,482 and of interest of Rs. 183.
Champaran	*9,27,629	55.305	9,82,934	5,39,244	...	(a) 31,705	(a)31,750	9,51,184	4,88,847	5,13,976	*74,948	35,262	1,10,210	3	(a) 8,089	(a) 8,092	94,492	1,02,251	48	39,794	5,83,339	6,16,327	
Muzaffarpur	13,99,620	1,18,757	15,18,377	4,10,598	(b) 452,624	(c) 75,072	(c) 77,096	14,40,681	78,832	3,45,453	62,287	34,718	97,005	438	(c) 28,057	(c) 28,495	7,808	69,074	3,063	1,03,129	86,640	4,14,527	(b) Include Rs. 2,832 in respect of future instalments.
Darbhanga	*4,00,613	86,318	4,86,931	1,60,041	63	(d) 75,800	(d) 75,863	4,11,068	93,241	1,03,472	*7,053	17,314	24,367	44	(d) 17,647	(d) 17,691	4,917	6,719	107	93,447	98,158	1,10,191	(c) Include advance payments of principal of Rs. 10,221 and of interest of Rs. 564.
Total ...	28,70,670	5,76,499	34,47,169	12,20,739	2,732	2,08,918	2,11,050	32,35,510	6,60,920	10,47,418	1,50.580	94,487	2,45,067	485	57,349	57,834	1,07,217	1,87,973	3,217	2,66,267	7,68.137	12,35,391	(d) Include advance payment of principal of Rs. 19,294 and of interest of Rs. 43.
Bhagalpur Division																							
Monghyr	2,03,898	1,80,707	3,84,605	1,65,619	...	29,641	29,641	3,54,964	...	1,35,978	18,082	14,399	32,481	...	3,509	3,509	...	28,972	...	33,150	...	1,64,950	
Bhagalpur	2,31,484	30,560	2,62,044	1,56,362	88	36,671	36,759	2,25,285	...	1,19,603	10,554	9,724	20,278	3,706	5,935	9,641	...	10,637	3,794	42,606	...	1,30,240	
Purnea	*13,220	49,573	62,793	13,055	70	6,799	6,869	55,924	...	6,186	612	471	1,083	3	597	600	...	483	73	7,396	...	6,669	
Santal Parganas	51,837	13,349	65,186	49,657	...	12,086	12,086	53,100	...	37,571	11,264	3,447	14,711	...	1,582	1,582	...	13,129	...	13,668	...	50,700	
Total ...	5,00,439	2,74,189	7,74,628	3,84,693	158	85,197	85,355	6,89,273	...	2,99,338	40,512	28,041	68,553	3,709	11,623	15,332	...	53,221	3,867	96,820	...	3,52,559	
CHOTA NAGPUR.																							
Chota Nagpur Division.																							
Hazaribagh	151	1,000	1,151	151	...	139	139	1,013	...	12	7	9	16	...	12	12	...	4	...	151	...	16	
Ranchi	1,115	2,500	3,615	1,961	...	1,805	1,805	1,810	...	156	437	165	603	...	266	266	...	336	...	2,071	...	492	
Palamau	4,096	4,000	8,096	3,668	...	2,726	2,726	5,370	...	943	58	277	335	...	204	204	...	131	...	2,930	...	1,073	
Manbhum	365	2,972	3,337	2,851	...	1,828	1,828	1,509	...	1,023	12	124	136	...	78	78	...	58	...	1,906	...	1,081	
Singhbhum	27,040	4,837	31,877	28,009	...	4,304	4,304	27,573	...	23,705	2,621	135	2,756	...	525	535	...	2,231	...	4,829	...	25,936	
Total ...	32,767	15,309	48,076	36,640	...	10,802	10,802	37,274	...	25,838	3,135	710	3,845	...	1,085	1,085	...	2,760	...	11,887	...	28,598	
Grand Total ... 1938-39	34,39,559	8,68,202	43,07,761	16,77,462	(b) 3,166	$ 3,30,525	$ 3,33,691	39,74,070	6,60,920	13,82,100	1,95,129	1,25,111	3,20,240	4,212	$ 71,947	$ 76,159	1,07,217	2,44,821	7,378	4,02,472	7,68,137	16,26,921	
Grand Total ... 1937-38	39,21,394	1,51,175	40,72,569	17,07,941	926	6,31,240	6,32,166	34,40,403	63,098	10,32,605	1,60,387	1,60,390	3,20,777	93	1,23,021	1,23,114	7,051	1,95,631	1,019	7,54,261	75,149	12,35,236	

* Revised figures.

*Revised figure.

Include advance payment of principal of Rs. 35,997 and of interest of Rs.

APPENDIX XXI.

[*Vide* paragraph 27 of the text.]

Original suits under the Rent Law before Revenue Courts for the year 1938-39.

Description of suits.	Chota Nagpur Division. Hazaribagh.	Ranchi.	Palamau.	Manbhum.	Singhbhum.	Total 1938-39.	Total 1937-38.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Suits to recover arrears of rent.							
Pending from last year	145	1,187	123	221	428	2,104	3,279
Instituted	2,817	4,222	501	*8,390	1,772	17,702	14,716
Total ...	2,962	5,409	624	8,611	2,200	19,806	17,995
Disposed of	2,070	3,584	502	8,292	2,013	16,461	15,891
Pending at close of the year	892	1,825	122	319	187	3,345	2,104
Suits to establish or contest right to enhancement, or abatement of rent, or to determine amount of rent.							
Pending from last year	64	7	...	7	...	78	578
Instituted	117	23	...	28	...	168	354
Total ...	181	30	...	35	...	246	932
Disposed of	120	25	...	16	...	161	854
Pending at close of the year ...	61	5	...	19	...	85	78
Suits regarding illegal exaction, duress, distraint or demand.							
Pending from last year	10	1	...	...	...	11	7
Instituted	56	8	...	2	...	66	23
Total ...	66	9	...	2	...	77	30
Disposed of	50	8	...	2	...	60	19
Pending at close of the year	16	1	...	...	...	17	11
Suits relating to ejectment.							
Pending from last year	13	17	...	7	36	73	68
Instituted	27	66	4	1	143	241	218
Total ...	40	83	4	8	179	314	286
Disposed of	29	58	3	7	139	236	213
Pending at close of the year	11	25	1	1	40	78	72

*Including 7 enhancement cases.

APPENDIX XXI—*continued.*

[*Vide* paragraph 27 of the text.]

Original suits under the Rent Law before Revenue Courts for the year 1938-39.

Description of suits.	Chota Nagpur Division. Hazaribagh.	Ranchi.	Palamau.	Manbhum.	Singhbhum.	Total, 1938-39.	Total, 1937-38.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Suits regarding accounts by or against agents, etc.							
Pending from last year	1	...	...	...	...	1	...
Instituted	2	1	.	...	...	3	1
Total	3	1	...	...	...	4	1
Disposed of	2	1	...	...	...	3	...
Pending at close of the year	1	...	...	...	...	1	1
Suits to resume or assess lands held exempt from revenue or rent.							
Pending from last year	...	...	...	2	...	2	41
Instituted	...	...	...	9	...	9	44
Total	...	...	...	11	...	11	58
Disposed of	...	...	...	6	...	6	56
Pending at close of the year	...	...	...	5	...	5	2
Suits not included in above.							
Pending from last year	61	88	...	9	...	158	130
Instituted	196	404	...	30	...	630	839
Total	257	492	...	39	...	788	969
Disposed of	240	447	...	29	...	716	811
Pending at close of the year	17	45	...	10	...	72	158
Miscellaneous applications.							
Pending from last year	96	38	119	225	105	583	513
Instituted	979	430	16,145	1,329	454	19,337	4,398
Total	1,075	468	16,264	1,554	559	19,920	4,910
Disposed of	838	434	2,911	1,404	409	5,996	4,327
Pending at close of the year	237	34	13,353	150	150	13,924	583

APPENDIX XXI—*concld.*

[*Vide* paragraph 27 of the text.]

Original suits under the Rent Law before Revenue Courts for the year 1938-39.

Description of suits.	Chota Nagpur Division. Hazaribagh.	Ranchi.	Palamau.	Manbhum.	Singhbhum.	Total, 1938-39.	Total 1937-38.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Execution cases.							
Pending from last year	235	967	182	1,505	343	3,232	3,645
Instituted	673	1,703	319	3,870	1,642	8,207	13,500
Total ...	908	2,670	501	5,375	1,985	11,439	17,145
Disposed of	668	2,162	350	3,938	1,410	8,528	13,913
Pending at close of the year	240	508	151	1,437	575	2,911	3,232
Appeals.							
Pending from last year	14	21	22	46	4	107	70
Instituted	353	144	119	152	10	778	433
Total ...	367	165	141	198	14	885	503
Disposed of	95	96	116	99	8	414	396
Pending at the close of the year	272	69	25	99	6	471	107
Total of all classes for 1938-39.							
Pending from last year	639	2,326	446	2,022	916	6,349	...
Instituted	5,220	7,001	17,088	13,811	4,021	47,141	...
Total ...	5,859	9,327	17,534	15,833	4,937	53,490	...
Disposed of	4,112	6,815	3,882	13,793	3,979	32,581	...
Pending at the close of the year	1,747	2,512	13,652	2,040	958	20,909	...
Total of all classes for 1937-38.							
Pending from last year	859	3,364	418	2,659	1,003	...	8,303
Instituted	3,280	7,013	1,535	18,472	4,326	...	34,526
Total ...	4,139	10,377	1,953	21,131	5,329	...	42,829
Disposed of	3,500	8,051	1,507	19,109	4,313	...	36,480
Pending at the close of the year	639	2,326	446	2,022	916	...	6,349

APPENDIX XXII

[*Vide* paragraph 28 of the text.]

Operation of the penal provisions of Bengal Act VI of 1908 (*the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act*) *during the year* 1938-39.

Division.	District.	Number of suits under clause (3), section 139, Bengal Act VI of 1908. Decided for plaintiffs. On merits.	Ex parte.	By admission.	Total.	Decided for defendants. On merits.	By default.	Total.	Number of suits in which damages were allowed to— Plaintiffs.	Defendants.	Amount of damages allowed to— Plaintiffs.	Defendants.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
											Rs.	Rs.
Chota Nagpur	Hazaribagh	141	1,316	113	1,570	21	127	148	...	3	...	10
	Ranchi	244	2,854	352	3,450	62	72	134	...	...	...	...
	Palamau	99	258	51	408	...	97	97	...	...	...	...
	Manbhum	748	6,918	309	7,975	79	238	317	...	...	...	...
	Singhbhum	14	1,676	172	1,862	30	121	151	...	...	...	...
	Total 1938-39 ...	1,246	13,022	997	15,265	192	655	847	...	3	...	10
	Total 1937-38 ...	1,183	12,378	1,029	14,490	268	952	1,220	475	..	1,278	...

APPENDIX XXIII

[*Vide* paragraph 29 of the text.]

Statement showing the operations under the Bihar Tenancy Act.

Division and District.	Transfer of Tenures. (a) Voluntary, section 12(3).	(b) By decree, sale, sections 13(2) and 14.	(c) By succession, section 15.	Commutation of rent payable in kind, section 40.	Division of produce where rents paid in kind, sections 69 and 70.	Registration of improvements, section 80.	Certificates of Collectors as to acquisition of land for building or other purposes, section 84.	Notices of resumption of land by landlords, section 87(2).	Failure to grant rent-receipts, section 58.	Local inquiries held by order of the Court, section 158.	Amount of landlords' fees received.	Amount of landlords' fees paid out to the landlord or some other person duly authorized on his behalf to receive it.	Percentage of column 11 on column 10.	Application for notices for annulment for incumbrance, section 167.
1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
											Rs.	Rs.		
Patna Division.														
Patna	833	...	...	2,039	1,245	9	...	2	109	...	1,336	1,290	96·5	5
Gaya	1,890	...	7	1,478	699	3	...	95	148	...	3,033	2,682	88·6	6
Shahabad	2,063	14	...	1,052	95	...	...	21	52	...	6,066	3,995	65·85	10
Total ...	4,786	14	7	4,569	2,009	12	...	118	309	...	10,435	7,967	76·33	21
Tirhut Division.														
Saran	1,755	1	3	131	3	...	...	13	5	...	3,317	2,085	63·2	39
Champaran ...	704	...	...	145	68	...	...	56	2	...	1,945	1,046	53·77	8
Muzaffarpur ...	911	...	...	2,118	26	...	...	39	9	...	3,690	2,634	71	10
Darbhanga ...	1,351	...	...	11,581	34	...	..	12	7	...	2,833	2,369	83·6	...
Total ...	4,721	1	3	13,975	131	...	...	120	23	...	11,785	8,134	69·00	57
Bhagalpur Division.														
Monghyr	780	...	2	383	28	...	...	12	2	...	1,669	1,549	92·81	5
Bhagalpur	336	...	...	383	55	4	...	655	4	...	2,231	1,761	78	10
Purnea	3,861	37	51	43	20	...	...	26	12	...	5,926	4,779	80·64	12
Total ...	4,477	37	53	811	103	4	...	693	18	...	9,826	8.089	82·3	27
Grand Total 1938-39	13,984	52	63	19,355	2,243	16	...	931	350	...	32,046	24,190	75·62	105
Grand Total 1937-38	14,252	88	2,003	1,012	937	12	...	538	377	1	38,036	28,982	76·19	151

APPENDIX XXIV.

[*Vide* paragraph 31 of the text.]

Statement showing the operations under the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act, for 1938-39.

Division and District.		Registration of transfer of tenures (section 12).	Transfer of raiyati holdings allowed under section 46(6).	Failure to grant rent-receipts (section 54).	Application for deposit of rent (sections 58 and 60).	Commutation of rent payable in kind [section 61(4).]	Application for restoration of possession. Under section 40(4).	Under section 71.	Under section 73(3).	Notices of surrender (section 72).	Abandonment of land by raiyats (section 73).	Notices of resumption of land by landlord [section 73(2)].	Acquisition of tenants' interest for buildings or other purposes (section 50).
1		2	3	4	5	6	6(a)	6(b)	6(c)	7	8	9	10
Chota Nagpur Division.													
Hazaribagh		7	94	66	135	20	3	6	1	...	42	72	5
Ranchi		12	193	8	434	77	33	3	...	35	48	48	...
Palamau		1	28	64	5	273	...	18	...	10	...	19	...
Manbhum		10	276	6	239	32	...	8	...	32	3	71	19
Singhbhum		1	228	...	119	2	2	...	2	1	...	16	...
Total ...	1938-39 ...	31	819	144	932	404	38	35	3	78	93	326	23
	1937-38 ...	36	1,420	47	1,243	100	23	18	3	67	74	134	...

APPENDIX XXVI.

[*Vide* paragraph 32 of the text.]

Payment of rent by money orders during the year 1938-39.

Division.		Number of money orders issued for rent.	Amount.	Number of such orders refused.	Amount.	Percentage of money orders refused to money orders issued.
1		2	3	4	5	6
			Rs.		Rs.	
Patna	1938-39	12,095	2,11,037	1,613	22,631	13·33
	1937-38	12,065	2,10,905	1,788	27,627	14·81
Tirhut	1938-39	36,785	3,03,375	11,454	79,649	31·13
	1937-38	12,316	1,23,911	2,603	23,394	21·13
Bhagalpur	1938-39	5,705	66,946	1,340	13,893	23·48
	1937-38	2,522	56,312	376	6,300	14·90
Chota Nagpur ...	1938-39	759	22,975	5	24	·66
	1937-38	1,132	31,593	6	119	·53
Total ...	1938-39	55,344	6,04,833	14,412	1,16,197	26·00
	1937-38	28,035	4,22,721	4,773	57,440	17·02

APPENDIX XXVII.

Business performed in the Commissioners' offices during the year 1938-39.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK.	Patna Division. For disposal.	Disposed of during the year.	Remaining at the close of the year.	Tirhut Division. For disposal.	Disposed of during the year.	Remaining at the close of the year.	Bhagalpur Division. For disposal.	Disposed of during the year.	Remaining at the close of the year.	Chota Nagpur Division. For disposal.	Disposed of during the year.	Remaining at the close of the year.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1. Appeals against sales under Act XI of 1859	51	47	4	42	38	4	30	29	1	2	2	...
2. Appeals of all other kinds against the acts or orders of the Collector or other subordinate officers ...	540	357	183	109	91	18	122	116	6	*122	105	17
3. Appeals to the Board against the orders of Commissioners presented direct to them or through the Commissioners in which the papers or a report have been called for	54	54	...	28	23	5	17	17	...	7	7	...
4. Regular settlements	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Summary settlements	16	16	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...
6. Partitions	97	65	32	72	57	15	22	11	11	...	...	...
7. Cases under section 4, Regulation III of 1828	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8. Miscellaneous cases not provided for in any of the foregoing heads	16	16	...	4	4	...	33	30	3	†171	159	12
Total ...	774	555	219	258	216	42	226	205	21	302	273	29

* Including 20 cases pending from last year.

† Including 12 cases pending from last year.

APPENDIX XXVIII.

[*Vide* paragraph 35 of the text.]

Demands, Collections and Balances of Local Cess on Lands and Mines for the year 1938-39.

District.	Class.	Number of estates.	Demands. Arrear.	Demands. Current.	Demands. Total.	Collections. Arrear.	Collections. Current.	Collections. Total.	Remissions.	Balances.	Percentage of total collections on current demands.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Patna ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	32,133	2,49,835	7,46,120	9,95,955	2,27,294	5,11,269	7,38,563	...	2,57,855	
	2. Revenue-free ...	3,414	8,180	14,540	22,621	4,291	10,679	14,970	...	7,344	
	3. Rent-free ...	1,603	23,399	33,095	56,494	13,974	23,945	37,019	...	19,072	
	4. Mines and Railways ...	1	...	5,118	5,118	...	...	...	...	5,118	
	Total ...	37,151	2,81,315	7,98,873	10,80,188	2,44,659	5,45,893	7,90,553	...	2,89,389	98·06
Gaya ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	28,489	4,29,248	10,51,940	14,81,188	3,78,636	6,35,688	10,14,324	19	4,68,150	
	2. Revenue-free ...	424	11,942	13,952	25,894	7,026	7,413	14,439	...	11,433	
	3. Rent-free	1	2,461	26	2,487	12	13	25	...	2,449	
	4. Mines	47	2,257	3,416	5,673	1,817	2,489	4,306	...	1,358	
	Total ...	28,961	4,45,908	10,69,344	15,15,242	3,87,491	6,45,603	10,33,094	19	4,83,390	96·01
Shahabad ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	22,258	1,55,214	6,63,571	8,18,785	91,777	5,73,272	6,65,049	...	1,53,736	
	2. Revenue-free ...	779	11,512	29,908	39,420	6,864	20,682	27,546	...	11,874	
	3. Mines and Railways ...	25	16,288	...	16,288	10,104	...	10,104	...	6,184	
	4. Chaukidari Chakran ...	7	4	3	7	...	1	1	...	6	
	5. Lac and Tasar ...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Total ...	23,076	1,83,018	6,91,482	8,74,500	1,08,745	5,93,955	7,02,700	...	1,71,800	101·63
Saran ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	19,533	1,22,203	4,37,447	5,59,650	97,297	3,17,695	4,14,992	...	1,42,687	
	2. Revenue-free	129	1,003	2,511	3,514	862	1,761	2,623	...	891	
	Total ...	19,662	1,23,206	4,39,958	5,63,164	98,159	3,19,456	4,17,615	...	1,43,578	94·93
Champaran ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	2,149	21,819	2,95,269	3,17,088	20,839	2,68,891	2,89,730	...	27,112	
	2. Revenue-free ...	115	363	2,589	2,952	328	2,388	2,716	...	237	
	3. Mines and Railways ...	2	603	1,670	2,273	603	1,067	1,670	...	603	
	Total ...	2,266	22,785	2,99,528	3,22,313	21,770	2,72,346	2,94,116	...	27,952	98·27
Muzaffarpur ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	35,815	1,29,392	4,78,922	6,08,314	99,870	3,29,164	4,29,034	...	17,40,049	
	2. Revenue-free ...	1,409	6,448	25,203	31,651	3,032	20,197	23,229	...	8,379	
	3. Rent-free ...	10,324	14,460	17,549	32,009	11,618	4,964	16,582	...	15,487	
	Total ...	47,548	1,50,300	5,21,674	6,71,974	1,14,520	3,54,325	4,68,145	...	1,97,915	89·87
Darbhanga ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	23,273	81,746	5,90,732	6,72,478	51,916	5,12,588	5,64,504	74	1,03,984	
	2. Revenue-free ...	1,386	11,562	41,765	53,327	7,891	33,201	41,092	51	11,691	
	Total ...	24,659	93,308	6,32,497	7,25,805	59,807	5,45,789	6,05,596	125	1,15,675	95·74
Monghyr ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	18,635	1,72,556	5,72,362	7,44,918	1,19,001	4,10,602	5,29,603	826	2,14,943	
	2. Revenue-free ...	1,986	6,864	17,891	24,755	3,377	12,665	16,042	20	8,483	
	3. Mines and Railways ...	72	698	1,328	2,026	239	820	1,059	933	968	
	Total ...	20,693	1,80,118	5,91,581	7,71,699	1,22,617	4,24,087	5,46,704	1,779	2,24,394	92·41
Bhagalpur ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	8,097	1,18,160	5,73,238	6,91,398	97,928	4,10,526	5,08,454	...	1,81,216	
	2. Revenue-free ...	1,102	3,340	12,161	15,501	2,431	8,811	11,242	...	4,396	
	3. Rent-free ...	40	321	903	1,224	313	623	936	...	279	
	Total ...	9,239	1,21,821	5,86,302	7,08,123	1,00,672	4,19,960	5,20,632	...	1,85,891	88·77

APPENDIX XXVIII—*contd.*

[*Vide* paragraph 35 of the text.]

Demands, Collections and Balances of Local Cess on Lands and Mines for the year 1938-39—concld.

District.	Class.	Number of estates.	Demands. Arrear.	Demands. Current.	Demands. Total.	Collections. Arrear.	Collections. Current.	Collections. Total.	Remissions.	Balances.	Percentage of total collections on current demands.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Purnea ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	3,221	3,08,892	6,23,758	9,32,650	3,00,000	1,66,720	4,66,720	...	4,64,873	
	2. Revenue-free ...	557	1,022	4,723	5,745	1,022	3,304	4,326	...	1,523	
	Total ...	3,778	3,09,914	6,28,481	9,38,395	3,01,022	1,70,024	4,71,046	...	4,66,396	74·94
Santal Parganas	1. Revenue-paying ...	696	34,654	1,18,524	1,53,178	26,610	87,773	1,14,833	...	38,997	
	2. Revenue-free ...	152	638	3,096	3,734	613	3,157	2,770	...	1.008	
	3. Rent-free	140	11	344	355	11	267	278	...	77	
	4. Mines, quarries, etc. ...	210	4,676	9,914	14,590	2,536	6,958	8,494	...	6,105	
	Total ...	1,198	39,979	1,31,878	1,71,857	29,770	96,155	1,25,925	...	46,187	95·48
Hazaribagh ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	467	25,138	1,15,844	1,40,982	10,512	1,00,328	1,10,835	...	30,014	
	2. Revenue-free	265	456	10,017	10,473	407	9,783	10,190	...	384	
	3. Rent-free	1	6	2	8	...	...	...	...	8	
	4. Mines and forests ...	965	1,11,386	2,24,816	3,36,202	1,06,122	1,58,867	2,64,989	6,696*	71,265	
	Total ...	1,698	1,36,986	3,50,679	4,87,665	1,17,041	2,68,973	3,86,014	6,696*	1,01,671	110·08
Ranchi ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	12	68,748	1,67,022	2,35,770	68,748	92,128	1,60,876	...	74,894	
	2. Mines and forests ...	222	4,365	7,199	11,564	2,406	...	2,406	...	9,158	
	Total ...	234	73,113	1,74,221	2,47,334	71,154	92,128	1,63,282	...	84,052	93·72
Palamau ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	1,170	67,388	79,966	1,47,354	22,[illegible]33	46,848	68,881	...	78,414	
	2. Revenue-free ...	777	16,416	40,698	57,114	13,169	27,435	40,604	...	16,323	
	3. Mines and forests ...	248	8,709	8,995	17,704	5,121	3,007	8,128	8,609*	9,576	
	Total ...	2,195	92,513	1,29,659	2,22,172	40,823	77,290	1,17,613	8,609*	1,04,313	90·71
Manbhum ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	29	77,289	2,21,586	2,98,875	77,274	1,85,971	2,63,245	...	35,630	
	2. Revenue-free ...	136	5,203	12,926	18,129	5,082	8,772	13,854	...	4,275	
	3. Mines and Forests ...	1,224	56,870	3,92,495	4,49,365	54,342	2,97,417	3,51,759	842*	97,606	
	Total ...	1,389	1,39,362	6,27,007	7,66,369	1,36,698	4,92,160	6,28,858	842*	1,37,511	100·29
Singhbhum ...	1. Revenue-paying ...	2	...	32,742	32,742	...	27,084	27,084	...	5,658	
	2. Revenue-free ...	1	...	3,848	3,848	...	3,848	3,848	...	...	
	3. Rent-free	15	4,396	3,735	8,131	1,513	1,499	3,012	...	5,119	
	4. Mines and Forests ...	119	17,867	92,412	1,10,279	10,775	86,213	96,988	182*	13,291	
	Total ...	137	22,263	1,32,737	1,55,000	12,288	1,18,644	1,30,932	182*	24,068	98·64
GRAND TOTAL ...	1938-39 ...	2,23,884	24,15,909	78,05,891	1,02,218	19,66,736	54,36,788	74,03,524	18,252*	28,04,182	94·84
	1937-38 ...	2,22,802	22,46,266	7,03,416	97,49,682	16,87,981	56,37,943	73,25,924	1,00,000†	24,20,290	97·63

* Includes also reductions made in the demands on account of revision of assessment, etc.

† Includes reduction of Rs. 98,222 made in the demand on account of revision of assessment, etc.

APPENDIX XXIX

[*Vide* paragraph 35 of the text.]

Statement of certificates for the realization of local cess filed, disposed of and pending during the year 1938-39.

Divisions and districts.	Number pending from last year.	Number filed during the year.	Total.	Number disposed of.	Number pending.	Number pending more than six months
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
BIHAR.						
PATNA DIVISION.						
Patna	2,925	8,127	11,052	8,556	2,496	62
Gaya	2,382	8,085	10,467	8,484	1,983	143
Shahabad	3,123	4,921	8,044	5,806	2,238	46
Total ...	8,430	21,133	29,563	22,846	6,717	251
TIRHUT DIVISION.						
Saran	1,949	6,445	8,394	6,063	2,331	52
Champaran	318	604	922	801	121	43
Muzaffarpur	3,315	7,761	11,076	7,776	3,300	67
Darbhanga	907	5,114	6,021	5,172	849	320
Total ...	6,489	19,924	26,413	19,812	6,601	482
BHAGALPUR DIVISION.						
Monghyr	1,350	4,373	5,723	3,855	1,868	658
Bhagalpur	671	2,468	3,139	2,095	1,044	154
Purnea	367	736	1,103	531	572	182
Santal Parganas ...	144	537	681	465	216	45
Total ...	2,532	8,114	10,646	6,946	3,700	1,039
CHOTA NAGPUR.						
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.						
Hazaribagh	134	1,264	1,398	1,162	236	135
Ranchi	7	139	146	126	20	4
Palamau	436	800	1,236	821	415	70
Manbhum	55	609	664	595	69	17
Singhbhum	25	16	41	35	6	1
Total ...	657	2,828	3,485	2,739	746	227
GRAND TOTAL ... 1938-39	18,108	51,999	70,107	52,343	17,764	1,999
GRAND TOTAL ... 1937-38	12,301	53,456	65,757	47,649	18,108	2,151

APPENDIX XXX.

[*Vide* paragraph 35 of the text.]

Separate Cess Accounts opened in Revenue-paying estates under section 44, and in Revenue free estates under section 46 (2) of Bengal Act IX of 1880, during the year 1938-39.

Divisions and districts.	Revenue-paying Estates.				Revenue-free Estates.			
	Separate Cess Accounts opened during the year under report.		Separate Cess Accounts remaining open at the end of the year under report.		Separate Cess Accounts opened during the year under report.		Separate Cess Accounts remaining open at the end of the year under report.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
BIHAR.								
PATNA DIVISION.								
Patna	226	3,399	15,114	52,296	3	36	293	4,008
Gaya	208	5,020	18,081	3,21,074	2	31	180	2,275
Shahabad	158	3,251	8,956	1,42,356	...	...	371	13,184
Total ...	592	11,670	42,151	5,15,726	5	67	843	19,467
TIRHUT DIVISION.								
Saran	62	703	10,404	1,37,733	...	...	41	1,943
Champaran	13	302	639	7,384	1	12	25	953
Muzaffarpur	137	1,791	10,877	1,12,281	...	...	295	5,242
Darbhanga	144	1,864	6,732	77,866	8	132	620	22,835
Total ...	356	4,660	28,642	3,35,264	9	144	981	30,973
BHAGALPUR DIVISION.								
Monghyr	174	3,170	7,884	1,85,589	...	...	191	3,725
Bhagalpur	42	1,375	3,427	1,23,582	3	10	34	673
Purnea	7	1,772	1,186	9,56,806	...	...	10	7,813
Santal Parganas	4	21	120	6,404	1	4	19	307
Total ...	227	6,238	12,617	12,72,381	4	14	254	12,518
CHOTA NAGPUR.								
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.								
Hazaribagh	2	19	402	10,208	...	...	30	935
Ranchi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Palamau	30	342	910	25,166	5	293	853	17,255
Manbhum	...	...	4	2,866	...	...	13	497
Singhbhum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	32	361	1,316	38,242	5	293	896	18,687
GRAND TOTAL .. 1938-39 ...	1,207	22,929	84,726	21,61,613	23	517	2,974	81,645
GRAND TOTAL .. 1937-38 ...	1,297	69,100	83,762	21,30,816	43	707	2,979	81,939

APPENDIX XXXI.

[*Vide* paragraph 35 of the text.]

Statistics of Estates and Tenures and their recorded shareholders for the year 1938-39.

Divisions and districts.	Number of estates assessed to local cess.			Number of—			Present gross rental.
	Land-revenue paying.	Land-revenue free.	Rent-free lands.	Recorded shareholders of estates.	Tenures assessed to local cess.	Recorded share-holders of tenures.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
BIHAR.							
PATNA DIVISION.							Rs.
Patna	32,133	1,603	3,414	1,45,734	5,877	19,125	1,36,54,067
Gaya	28,489	424	1	80,041	18,913	18,913	1,78,60,029
Shahabad	22,258	779	...	85,121	60,347	4,498	1,18,41,784
Total ...	82,880	2,806	3,415	310,896	85,137	42,536	4,33,55,830
TIRHUT DIVISION.							
Saran	19,533	129	...	104,847	49,410	42,088	76,87,419
Champaran	2,149	115	...	7,382	4,035	15,816	48,17,988
Muzaffarpur	35,815	1,409	10,324	137,962	1,150	9,473	88,37,728
Darbhanga	23,273	1,386	...	121,972	18,119	24,269	1,05,19,416
Total ...	80,770	3,039	10,324	372,163	72,714	91,646	3,18,62,551
BHAGALPUR DIVISION.							
Monghyr	18,635	1,986	...	78,903	9,517	15,442	1,01,51,719
Bhagalpur	8,097	1,102	40	31,551	28,147	28,147	98,02,193
Purnea	3,221	557	...	13,676	149,401	128,833	1,08,46,473
Santal Parganas ...	696	152	140	2,658	5,826	10,263	20,17,992
Total ...	30,649	3,797	180	126,788	192,891	182,685	3,28,18,377
CHOTA NAGPUR.							
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.							
Hazaribagh	467	265	1	8,173	3,515	3,343	55,48,926
Ranchi	12	...	...	21	38,740	34,527	26,00,482
Palamau	1,170	777	...	16,689	21,448	21,448	18,04,823
Manbhum	29	136	...	268	57,689	89,299	1,00,32,112
Singhbhum	2	1	15	3	3,199	3,244	21,23,792
Total ...	1,680	1,179	16	25,154	124,591	151,861	2,21,10,135
GRAND TOTAL ... 1938-39	195,979	10,821	13,935	835,001	475,333	468,728	13,01,46,893
GRAND TOTAL ... 1937-38	194,873	10,815	13,798	832,133	475,137	465,166	12,52,13,775

NOTE.—The gross rental at the first valuation will be found in the Land Revenue Administration Report for 1915-16.

APPENDIX XXXII.

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[*Vide* paragraph 35 of the text.]

Annual statement of Valuations and Revaluations in progress or completed during the year 1938-39.

Division.	District.	Description of area under revaluation.	Assessment before revaluation.	Progress during the year.	Total progress up to end of year.	Amount of work left at close of year.	Increase or decrease due to revaluation up to end of year.	Percentage of increase of assessment.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Rs.						
Tirhut ..	Saran ..	Sonepur mela land comprised in tauzi no. 4597.	2,621	Assessments started and completed.	As in col. 5	Nil ..	Decrease of Rs. 1,801 in cess.	..	The work was done by the district staff.
	Muzaffarpur	Whole district covering an area of 3,036 square miles.	5,18,000	Valuation of 5,192 estates excluding separate accounts and 608 tenures.	Valuation of 29,028 estates excluding separate accounts and 1,150 tenures.	Nil ..	Increase of Rs. 72,000 in cess.	13·89	The work commenced on the 16th May 1936 and completed in December 1938. The total gross expenditure incurred to complete the operations was Rs. 62,702. Babu Priya Gopal Ghosh, Deputy Collector, was in charge of the operations.
Bhagalpur ...	Purnea ..	Whole district covering an area of 4,994 square miles.	6,39,244	Valuation of 236 revenue-paying and revenue-free estates including separate accounts and 150,900 tenures.	Valuation of 3,889 revenue-paying and revenue-free estates including separate accounts and 171,232 tenures.	Eleven estates including separate accounts and 10,402 tenures.	Decrease of Rs. 1,20,390 in cess.	...	The work commenced on the 7th August 1936 and the operations expected to be finally closed by the end of August 1939. The total expenditure incurred up to the 31st March 1938 amounted to Rs. 66,174. Babu Kumud Nath Ray, Sub-Deputy Collector, is in charge of the operations.

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GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

RESOLUTION.

Patna, the 4th July 1940.

READ—

The report of the Board of Revenue on the Land Revenue Administration of the Province of Bihar for the year 1938-39.

Mr. N. F. Peck, C.B.E., I.C.S., held charge of the office of the Member of the Board from the 1st April 1938 to the 28th April 1938 and from the 22nd October 1938 to the end of the year. He was on leave from the 29th April 1938 to the 21st October 1938, and in his place Mr. E. R. J. R. Cousins, C.I.E., I.C.S., officiated as Member.

2. *Material condition of the people.*—There was no appreciable change in the material condition of the people. The failure of the *hathia* rains adversely affected the winter rice crop, and in some areas the *rabi* crop was damaged by rain and insect pests. In the previous season sugarcane in Tirhut had been grown on a smaller scale and the competition of mills for supplies brought about a rise in cane prices and also secured a profitable return on the manufacture of *gur*. There was a bumper winter rice crop in Purnea district. In Chota Nagpur the fall in the price of shellac affected the economic condition of both growers and labourers.

During the monsoon of 1938 extensive areas in the Tirhut Division, Purnea, North Bhagalpur and the Rajmahal diara suffered severely from floods. The Provincial Government distributed Tacavi loans, free gifts and gratuitous relief on a liberal scale for the purpose of enabling the victims of the floods to purchase seeds and to reconstruct their houses.

In Purnea district it is reported that the Money-lenders Act had the effect of seriously restricting credit in the villages. There was no marked change in the demand for labourers or in their wage rates. Compared with the figures of the preceding year the number of emigrants from Ranchi increased, but the number of emigrants from Palamau was smaller.

The health of the people in general was satisfactory. Malaria in an epidemic form occurred in parts of Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga, North Bhagalpur and the Santal Parganas, and there were outbreaks of cholera and small-pox in several parts of the province, notably in Mokamah where cholera lasted in a serious form for some months. Cases of plague were reported from parts of Muzaffarpur and Champaran.

The Board draws special attention to several factors which had an important effect upon the welfare of the agricultural population of the province :—

(1) the continuance of the economic depression and the low level of prices for agricultural produce during the year under report ;

(2) the extensive loss of crops through repeated floods and the irregular monsoon ;

(3) the widespread agrarian agitation which frequently demanded special measures to maintain law and order, especially in those areas where wholesale demands were made for the restoration of Bakasht lands ; this agitation, combined with the operations initiated for the reduction of rents, had the effect of inducing very large numbers of the tenants to withhold payment of rent.

The Provincial Government are concerned to read that " the gradual deterioration of irrigation facilities on the one hand and non-payment of rent on the other hand formed a vicious circle as the landlords were without money and unable to do anything unless rents were paid ".

3. *Economic development.*—The Provincial Government have perused with interest the Board's survey of the industries of the province and their attention has been drawn particularly to the following features :—

(1) The maintenance of activity in the large sugar industry of Bihar which owing to the cane shortage had to pay higher cane prices in some areas : this rise in prices had the result of bringing a larger area under sugarcane cultivation in the following season ;

(2) the shellac industry of Chota Nagpur experienced a lower level of depression than ever before ;

(3) there was an improvement in the coal industry of Hazaribagh and Manbhum, and an increase in the despatches of coal ;

(4) there was a marked improvement in the mica industry reflected in the increase of exports by 34 per cent in volume and by 14.5 per cent in value: the aggregate value of exports during the year was Rs. 25,38,099 ;

(5) in contrast with the coal industry several industrial concerns in the Singhbhum district suffered considerably from labour unrest and from strikes, and yet they maintained a high level of activity : a strike of three months' duration at the copper mines of the Indian Copper Corporation at Musaboni came to an end only through the intervention of a conciliation board appointed by the Provincial Government, but it was responsible for the reduction of the output of the mines from 410,867 short tons to 322,649 short tons, and the production of refined copper was reduced from 6,830 long tons to 5,330 long tons. Similarly a strike at the works of the Tin Plate Company at Golmuri caused a fall in production ;

(6) the Tata Iron and Steel Company increased their output of iron-ore from the Noamundi mines by nearly 140,000 tons to 680,000; their production of pig iron increased from 921,300 tons to 1,023,000 and their production of saleable steel increased from 660,373 tons to 701,000 tons. The Bengal Iron Company, now amalgamated with the Indian Iron and Steel Company, produced 545,822 tons of iron-ore from their mines during the year ;

(7) the mining leases held in Government estates increased from 215 in the previous year to 224, and the revenue from this source increased from Rs. 2,70,355 to Rs. 3,82,601.

4. The activities of the following institutions continued with great success :—

(1) The Government Weaving Institute in Bihar Sharif ;

(2) The Weavers' Co-operative Society at Asanagar ;

(3) The Chautarwa Dom Settlement under the supervision of the Salvation Army ;

(4) The Bettiah Mission Institute (where carpets, mats and other cotton and woollen goods are manufactured) ; and

(5) The Branch of the All-India Spinners' Association at Madhubani (which produce cloth, paper, articles made of cane and have dyeing, printing, tailoring and carpentry sections).

(6) There was an increase in the production of Sabai grass from Rajmahal to the Titagarh Paper Mills from 279,730 maunds to 316,963 maunds.

5. *Land revenue.*—The total current demand for land revenue was reduced from Rs. 1,25,63,403 to Rs. 1,23,98,218, and the principal causes are said to be :—

(1) the revision of the assessment at the settlement and re-settlement of temporarily settled estates and the estates under direct management ;

(2) the reduction by 25 per cent of the rent demand of estates under direct management in the Santal Parganas and the heavy fall in the receipts from the Hiranpur and Sahibgunj Cattle markets in that district ;

(3) the transfer to the Central Government of the revenue formerly paid to the Provincial Government by the Karharbari Colliery of the East Indian Railway in Hazaribagh under the financial arrangements consequent on the new constitution.

The percentage of total collection on total demand fell from 88·69 per cent in the previous year to 86·53 per cent. The outstanding balance at the end of the year under report was Rs. 14,71,379 compared with Rs. 15,21,074 at the end of the previous year :—

(*a*) in the permanently settled estates the percentage of total collection on total demand was 97·53 per cent ;

(*b*) in the temporarily settled estates the percentage was 70·85 ;

(*c*) in the permanently managed estates the percentage was 46·99.

In the temporarily settled estates Government allowed remissions of land revenue amounting to Rs. 37,942, and in the directly managed estates remissions of rent amounted to Rs. 3,65,852.

6. *Local cess.*—The cess demand increased from Rs. 75,03,416 to Rs. 78,05,891, and this is explained by the revision of the assessment in the Muzaffarpur district, the assessment of collieries under the Bihar Cess (Amen ment) Act II of 1936 in the Hazaribagh district, and the increase in the despatches of iron-ore in the Singhbhum district. The percentage of total collection on current demand was 94·84 compared with 97·63 in the previous year. The fall in the collections is attributed to the continuance of the economic depression, the extensive damage to crops, the agrarian agitation and the withholding of payments of rent by tenants in the expectation that the rents would be reduced in the rent reduction operations.

7. *Remittances by money order.*—The use made of the special money order for remitting payments of land revenue and cess continues to become increasingly popular and the number of such orders was higher than in the previous year. There was a remarkable increase in the number of remittances of rent by money order from 28,035 in the previous year to 55,344 during the year under report : the amount remitted was Rs. 6,04,833 compared with Rs. 4,22,721 in 1937-38. The increase in the numbers of these money orders was heaviest in the Darbhanga district, and it is attributed to a general effort by tenants to make remittances of rent in order to comply with the requirements of the Restoration of Bakasht Lands and the Reduction of Arrears of Rent Act, 1938 (IX of 1938). The percentage of money orders refused was 26·00 compared with 17 02 per cent in the previous year: the increase in the number of refusals was largest in the Tirhut Division. The refusals are attributed to disputes about the amount of rent payable, to the non-payment of the full demand, or to payment by persons other than the recorded tenants.

8. *Coercive measures.*—In consideration of the prevailing economic and agrarian conditions the revenue sale laws were leniently administered, and the Board of Revenue accepted all the recommendations of the Divisional Commissioners for the annulment of sales on the ground of hardship. There was no default in payment or sale in the Ranchi, Manbhum and Singhbhum

districts. Defaults and sales in other districts were slightly lower in number than those of the year 1937-38. Nine estates with a Government revenue of Rs. 558 were purchased on behalf of Government.

9. *The management of Government estates.*—The total cost of management of Government estates amounted to Rs. 1,82,290 compared with Rs. 1,80,672. Expenditure on works of improvement in these estates increased from Rs. 87,239 in the previous year to Rs. 1,21,226 in the year under report.

10. *Relations between landlords and tenants.*—In the report of the previous year (1937-38) relations between landlords and tenants were said to be bad, and the report for 1938-39 records a further deterioration. In several districts feelings culminated in violence and rioting. The deterioration is attributed to the agitation among the *kisans*, the wholesale claims by tenants to *bakasht* lands, and the withholding of the payment of rents during the rent reduction operations. The Provincial Government are concerned to observe that during the year under report there was a lack of respect for law. Tenants are now generally much more alert in exercising their right to obtain legal remedies against unlawful exactions; they have learnt to organise and to combine their forces; and they are much more aggressive. On the other hand, many landlords are said to have been demoralised by the agitation and in some areas they have been unable to make their *amla* abandon their old ways. In several districts there were particularly acute problems, for example, the *bakasht* problem was of exceptional difficulty in the Gaya district, and the dispute at village Reora though finally settled by the Collector lasted a long time. In other areas trouble was caused because petty landlords depended on *hari-begari* for the cultivation of their *bakasht* lands, because they refused to grant receipts for produce rent, because they brought false rent suits, or because they neglected to repair the *ahars*. Elsewhere methods of land settlement and forest restrictions caused discontent. In the Santal Parganas the relations between landlords and tenants were on the whole satisfactory except in the Deoghar subdivision. In Chota Nagpur the relations were generally good except in Palamau, Chatra and Dhalbhum. These disturbed conditions made severe demands upon the magistracy and the police for the maintenance of order.

11. *The Tenancy Acts.*—It is significant that the number of applications for commutation of produce rent to cash (under section 40 of the Bihar Tenancy Act) in Bihar districts increased from 1,012 in 1937-38 to 19,355 in 1938-39: the increase is notable in the Patna and Tirhut divisions. It is clear that tenants paying produce rent were anxious to secure commutation at the low level of agricultural prices which prevailed in the year under report. Rent suits under the Chota Nagpur Tenancy Act increased by nearly 13,000 to 47,141.

12. Most of the District and Subdivisional Officers spent an adequate amount of time on tours, but in five districts the prescribed period was not fulfilled: the increase of work at headquarters interfered with these tours.

13. The thanks of Government are due to the Board of Revenue for the efficient administration of the Land Revenue Department during the year.

14. The names of the officers commended in the Board's report have been noted in the Appointment Department of Government.

ORDER.—Ordered that this resolution be published in the *Bihar Gazette*.

By order of the Governor of Bihar,

R. A. E. WILLIAMS,

Secretary to Government.

MEMO. NO. 3732-R.,

Patna, the 4th July 1940.

COPY (with a copy of the report) forwarded to the (1) Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Bihar, / (2) Appointment Department, / (3) Direc or of Publicity, Bihar, for information (with special reference to paragraph 14 of the Resolution).

( ) to Appointment Department only.

By order of the Governor of Bihar,

J. D. MISRA,

Assistant Secretary.

SUMMARY FOR GOVERNOR

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